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## HITLER MAKING NO PROMISES

## BRITAIN TO DEMAND TRIPARTITE PACT

## FRENCH PREPARING FOR ANY EVENTUALITY

London, March 11.  
The British Cabinet met to-night. It is learned that His Majesty's Government is determined to exact concessions from the German Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, possibly the promise of a three-cornered pact between France, Belgium and Germany, pledging Germany not to fortify the Rhineland for twenty-five years, and with Britain and Italy guaranteeing the treaty.

Meanwhile, German sources have indicated that Herr Hitler has decided to reject requests to withdraw German troops from the Rhineland and to refuse to make any promise not to fortify that area.—United Press.

### FRANCE IS PREPARED

Paris, March 11.

Foreign reports regarding a general mobilisation in France have drawn a denial from the Ministry of War.

A communiqué issued by this department states that in view of the fact that Germany has sent an estimated force of 90,000 troops into the Rhineland adequate measures have been taken in France, consisting of the placing of all active forces on the frontier in a state of readiness for any eventuality.

The strengthening of the present military position could be effected by calling up the frontier reservists at short notice without recourse to mobilisation.

"But we are not yet in such a position and have confidence in the diplomatic 'pourparlers,'" says the communiqué.—Reuter.

### Warning From Paris

Paris, March 11.

A communiqué issued by the French Government to-day is noteworthy for the fact that it categorically denies the press reports that the French Government would accept as a solution of the Rhineland dispute, provoked by German action, that the number of troops of the Reich remaining in the demilitarised zone should be limited and that no fortifications should be built in that area.

It is understood that France would be prepared to leave the League of Nations, and several other powers have intimated that they will do the same if collective security treaties prove ineffectual.

However, France will first exhaust all the possibilities offered by the Locarno Pact and the League Covenant to obtain satisfaction with regard to the Rhineland.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

### Strengthening Air Force

Paris, Mar. 11.

It is reported that the Government intends to ask the Chamber of Deputies for supplementary credits of 2,500,000,000 francs, spread over the next four years, for the extension of French aviation strength.

Credits of 650,000,000 francs will also be asked this year for construction and improvement in the Air Force.—Reuter.

### Dutch Precautions

The Hague, Mar. 11.

The Prime Minister, Dr. H. Colijn, in a broadcast address to-night, announced that the Government had decided to keep in service until further notice the conscripts of the infantry and cyclists regiments who would shortly be due for furlough.—Reuter.

Later.

Dr. Colijn's announcement merely means that 4,000 infantry will remain in barracks pending the calling up of new conscripts at the end of March.

The Prime Minister deprecated the attaching of any undue importance to this move.—Reuter.



His Majesty King Edward VIII, whose possible marriage is envisaged in the fact that he has asked the House of Commons to make provision for such a contingency. Princess Eugenie of Greece, a cousin of the Duchess of Kent, is mentioned as a possible bride.

## ENGLAND'S KING MAY MARRY

## BUT LABOURITE ASKS FOR GUARANTEE

London, Mar. 11.  
His Majesty the King informed the House of Commons that he may possibly wed, in a message asking for a renewal of the Civil List, which stated:

"His Majesty desires that the contingency of his marriage should be taken into account, so that, in that event, there should be provision for His Majesty, the Queen and members of His Majesty's family, corresponding to the provisions which the House of Commons has been willing to make in like circumstances in the past."

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented the message, after which Mr. Will Thorne, Labour M.P., enquired: "May I ask whether His Majesty has given any guarantee that he is going to marry?"

This query was met with laughter. Mr. Chamberlain gave no reply thereto.

Speculation immediately arose regarding a possible bride for the King. It is said that the Greek Princess Eugenie, a cousin of Marina, the Duchess of Kent, is the most probable.

The London Star gave the story a front-page position, the headline to which was only a huge boxed question mark, sub-headed: "Her Majesty the Queen?"—United Press.

OTHER REQUESTS

London, Mar. 11.  
During question-time in the House of Commons to-day, the Chancellor of the Exchequer read a message from His Majesty the King, placing unreservedly at the disposal of the House of Commons the hereditary of the Crown, with a view to renewing provision for the Civil List.

Mr. Chamberlain added that the King desired that the contingency of his marriage should be taken into account, so that, in such an event, there should be provision made for the Queen and members of his family, corresponding to the provision made in the past.

The King also requested that suitable provision be made for the Duke of York as His Presumptive and, in certain events, for his family. His Majesty intimated his intention of providing for the Duke of York out of the revenues of the Duchy of Cornwall as long as these revenues are vested in the King.

Mr. Chamberlain announced that he would to-morrow move for the appointment of a Select Committee to consider the King's message.—Reuter Special.

TO VISIT LONDON

Athens, March 11.

It is reported that Prince Eugenio, cousin of the Duchess of Kent, may visit London in the near future.—United Press.

## FRANCE BURNS HER BOATS

## OMINOUS ATTITUDE OF DIPLOMATISTS

## ALLIED POWERS GRIMLY DEFEND LOCARNO

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Geneva, March 11.

A stern struggle is certain to occur in London between the French group of powers, bent on inflicting a severe diplomatic defeat on Herr Adolf Hitler, and the rest of the League Council members who may be disposed to negotiate as long as no act of war is committed against France or Belgium.

It is regarded as ominous that the French and their allies are deliberately burning their diplomatic boats behind them by stipulating in advance that the Germans shall not be allowed to remain in the Rhineland.—Reuter Special.

### DETERMINED POLICY

Geneva, March 11.

The representatives of the Little Entente spent to-day drawing up the general lines of the policy they will pursue at the forthcoming London conference concerning the Rhineland crisis.

The Rumanian and Turkish representatives and the representatives of the Little and Balkan Entente are proceeding to London with very definite instructions, and to press for energetic League of Nations action against Germany.

Both Ententes will insist that if the Locarno Treaty is scrapped it must be replaced with something equally good.—Reuter.

### Belgium Is Firm

Brussels, March 11.

M. Paul van Zeeland, the Prime Minister, addressing the Chamber of Deputies to-day upon the German action in the Rhineland, declared that the protest, based on the Franco-Soviet Pact and invoked by the German memorandum, in no way concerned Belgium.

There were no political engagements or military obligations between France and Belgium. It made one feel profoundly sad that Germany's gesture had ruined for generations the belief of those who held that international organisations could not be based on brute force.

"We are convinced we shall emerge from our difficulties if all the Locarno Treaty signatories remain united and determined to act together," said the Prime Minister. "But otherwise," he warned, "the consequences are to be feared by the whole world."

"Belgium is ready to play her part in any collective action, especially with France and Britain. Meanwhile, Belgium stands by the Locarno agreement until it is replaced."

M. van Zeeland enjoined calmness, common sense and cool resolution in order to spare their children the horrors the war-time generation had to bear.—Reuter.

### NAVAL POWERS AGREE

## IMPORTANT STEPS AT CONFERENCE

## LONGER LIFE FOR WARSHIP

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London, Mar. 11.

The First Committee of the London Naval Conference has finally approved three important documents embodying the sub-committees' reports.

The first defines the age limit of warships;

The second, qualitative limitation;

The third, advance notification of building programmes.

A sub-committee has been appointed to deal with safeguarding clauses, which will enable signatories to ignore agreements if non-signatories exceed the limits which the treaty allows.

Among other things, the Conference (Continued on Page 12)

## ITALIANS BARGAIN FOR AID

## SEEK PLEDGE FROM FRANCE

## WANTS END OF SANCTIONS

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London, March 11.

There is reason to believe, states Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, that Italy, through her Ambassador at Paris, has promised co-operation with France in the present crisis in return for a pledge that France will use all her influence to effect a settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute which will be acceptable to Rome.

This does not necessarily imply that Italy will support sanctions against Germany, but it does imply that France would support an Italo-Ethiopian settlement plan not far removed from that advanced by M. Pierre Laval and Sir Samuel Hoare at their historic Paris parley. If France should agree to the Italian proposal, she would be compelled to a great effort to end sanctions against Italy in view of the German crisis.

### ANTICIPATED ATTITUDE

Sigmar Grandi, the Italian Ambassador at London, who will likely represent Italy at the London conversations with respect to the Rhineland impasse, is expected to emphasise that Italy can co-operate on the Suez front only if sanctions against her are abandoned.

It is now admitted that France has asked Britain what her view would be on the suggestion of economic sanctions against Germany and that she is also requesting General Staff talks on the question of support under the Locarno Treaty.

Although a final decision has not yet been reached, it is expected in diplomatic circles that Great Britain will propose a solution along the lines of a symbolic German withdrawal from the demilitarised zone. Britain is expected to be prepared to make this suggestion to-morrow.—Reuter Special.

## ITALIANS ON OFFENSIVE

## TROOPS CROSSING TAKAZZE RIVER

Rome, March 11.

Reports from Asmara state that the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Marshal Badoglio, left for his field headquarters to-day.

Intensive aerial activity along the whole front is apparent.

Supply services are moving up great masses of material for advanced positions.

Italian troops are moving across the Takazze River and to the south of Amba Alagi.—Reuter.

### SPEEDIER AIR MAILED

## BRITISH FACILITIES WITH SCANDINAVIA

London, Mar. 11.

The Postmaster General has concluded arrangements whereby, from March 17, first-class mail letters and postcards prepaid at ordinary international postage will be sent by air each week day to Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland.

The service will, in many instances, result in correspondence for the countries in question being delivered 24 hours earlier than under existing conditions. The main object of the arrangements is to ensure that, in general, letters and postcards addressed to the countries mentioned shall be despatched to their destinations by surface or air transport, whichever offers the quickest delivery.—British Wireless.

## RUSSIAN GUARD TAKES OWN LIFE ON LINER

A brief message has been received by the Hongkong police from the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia to the effect that yesterday a Russian anti-piracy guard aboard the ship had shot himself. The Empress is due in Hongkong to-day.

The guard, who was 25 years of age, was named Vasili Georgovich Shiskin. He was recruited in Shanghai. He joined the Hongkong police as a guard in March, 1934, and had been on anti-piracy duty ever since.

Shiskin went to Shanghai aboard the Empress of Japan on March 9 and joined the Empress of Asia for the return trip to Hongkong. So far, no details have been revealed of the circumstances under which the guard met his death, excepting the bare statement that he had shot himself.



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HIS LIFESHOT DEAD AND  
ROBBED

New York, Mar. 1. A well-known author and adventurer, whose stories are popular with readers of British magazines, has been murdered by a boy of 16 in a lonely mountain cabin.

Mr. Carl Taylor, aged 30, crept to a hilltop "temple" in New Mexico two nights ago to obtain information about secret rites of the "Brothers of the Blood of Christ," an Indian sect of self-torturers.

As he was at a desk writing an account of the weird ceremony of flagellation which he had seen in this "forbidden" territory, he was shot.

## AT FIRST BELIEVED

Soon afterwards Modesto Trujillo, a 16-year-old Spaniard living near the cabin, burst breathlessly into the home of the Justice of the Peace, Faustino Chavez, and declared he had seen two men, their faces hidden with rags, enter the cabin and kill Mr. Taylor with rifles.

Under the ordeal of questioning by the police, which lasted all night, the boy broke down this morning and confessed that he had murdered Mr. Taylor to rob him.

The ritual of flagellation practised by the "Brothers of the Blood of Christ" is said to be based on an Indian conception of the doctrine of penance preached by early missionaries.

Mr. Taylor was to have been a guest to-night of the annual Arts Ball of the New Mexico Art League. A seat in Box 13 had been reserved for him.

Somme  
Souvenir:  
Aftermath

A German visitor to England returned to Germany after a short stay in December last.

While in London a tram conductor had asked the young man to take back with him photos and some papers relating to the Iron Cross which he, the tram conductor, had taken from a German prisoner of war on the Somme in 1918.

The tram conductor had heard of Reichssender Cologne's radio programme, "Where are you, Comrade?" which has brought many former world war combatants together, and hoped by this means it would be possible to find the original owner of the papers and return them to him.

The Reichssender Cologne asked Heinrich Ruschmeyer, of the 12th Company of the Infantry Regiment No. 377, to make known his address. A few days later a shoemaker of that name, from Fintel (Kreis Rothenberg), wrote saying he was the owner of the papers and photos.

After proving his identity the papers were handed over to him. World Radio is now trying to trace the tram conductor who handed over the papers so that Ruschmeyer can thank the donor.



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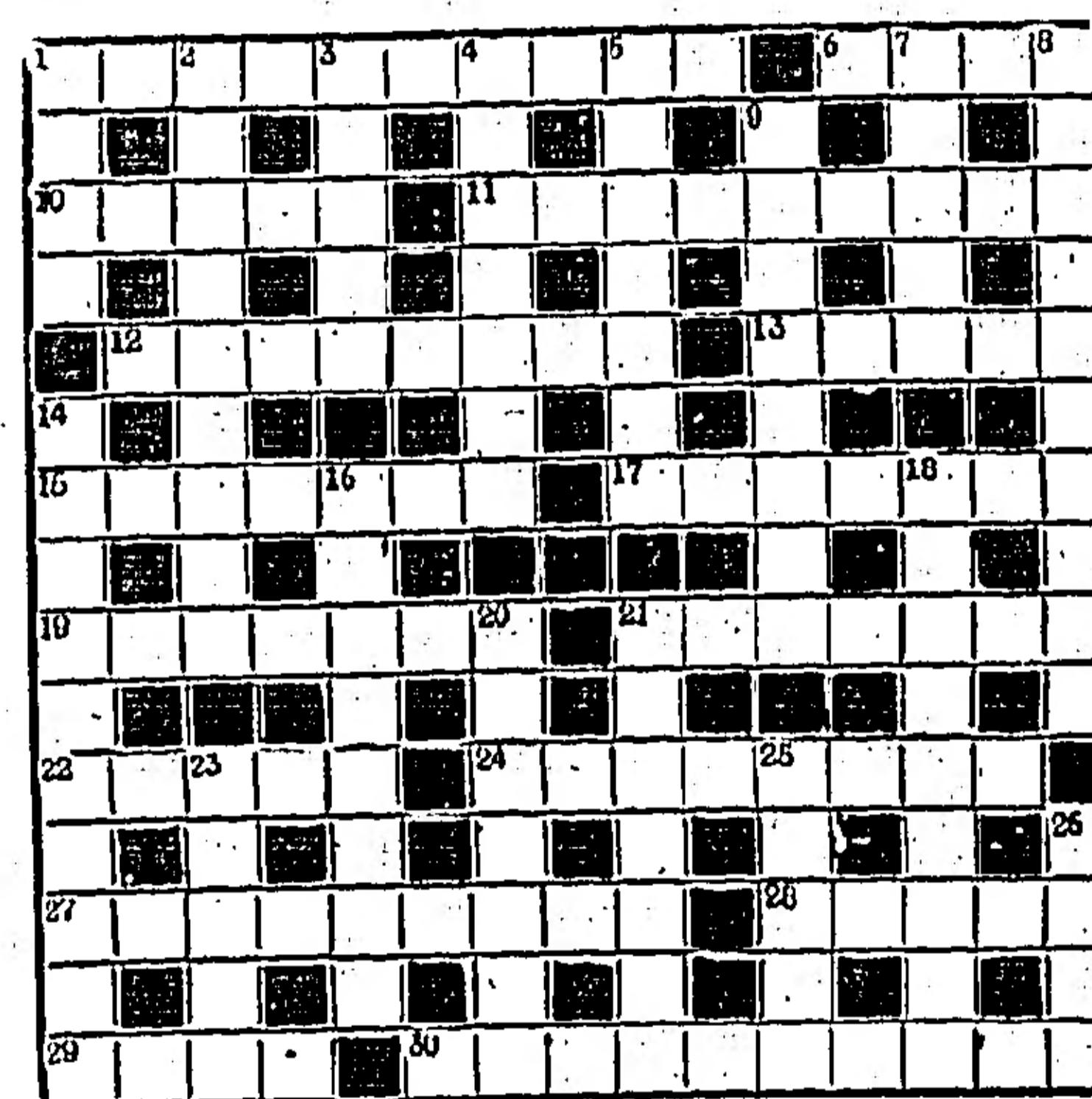
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- 5 Part of the ether's outfit.
- 6 Plunges like one with money to burn.
- 10 One can hardly say this officer does not count!
- 12 This tendency is considered quite desirable, in Eastern eyes.
- 13 The opposite of 22 across.
- 15 Might be tried to exercise a devil of a temper; but a scandalous proceeding nevertheless.
- 16 Points to be noted by Channel pilots.
- 19 Part of a machine.
- 21 This Italian is heavy-hearted in one of his own rivers.
- 22 Anything would be known if this stood.
- 24 A scaremonger.
- 25 "Voted car" (anag.).
- 26 A tired step?
- 27 A common chemical.
- 28 We find copra hunt from this Lincolnshire town.

## DOWN

- 1 Letters in this are Greek to the uninitiated.
- 2 A literary effort.
- 3 German town.
- 4 This helps the turn of the screw.
- 5 Not a cog can be fitted to this shape.
- 7 African town that suggests an inflated company.
- 8 A red herring, one might say.
- 9 This question is still a burning

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# THE MAN WHO WON THE GREAT WAR

*Amazing Story of British Officer's Trick*

## Girl-Bride In Barn: Accused Man Acquitted

A REMARKABLE case which followed a beautiful girl's visit to a dance hall was stopped by Flintshire Assizes jury.

They found Arthur Dunn, aged nineteen, a car-park attendant, of Hawkin, near Holywell, North Wales, not guilty of a serious offence against the girl, Mrs. Elizabeth Jones. He was discharged.

The girl is a daughter of a retired Army major. She was a finalist in a "Miss Sandie" beauty competition at Rhyl last summer.

At the time of the alleged offence she was Miss Baines. She was married on the morning of the police court hearing of the case to Mr. Frank Jones, a witness, who is an estate agent at Rhyl. They went straight from the wedding ceremony to the police court.

### Gin, Vermouth, Sherry

Mr. Goodman Roberts, prosecuting, said on New Year's Eve the girl went with Mr. Jones, then her fiance, to a Rhyl hotel.

She had a good deal of drink. Subsequently they went to a Hawkin dance hall, taking half a dozen bottles of beer.

At the dance hall Miss Baines had a good deal to drink, including gin, vermouth and sherry.

Still she went on drinking. At two in the morning she was seen by a police officer with Mr. Jones. She was walking unsteadily, and was extremely drunk.

Mr. Jones put her in his car, covered her up with rugs, and then went back to the dance hall. Mr. Jones would say that all she remembered was that, after being ill, she woke up in a strange barn with a man she did not know. She was devoid of all her clothing.

Shortly before 3.30 a.m. Dunn arrived at the dance hall. His lips were stained. He said to a police officer: "There is a chap who has lost his wife. I have been with a woman in the car. Don't say anything."

Mrs. Jones, who wore a grey squirrel coat, then went into the box. She said she was aged eighteen.

### "Tried To Scream"

She said she did not remember anything from the time she was taken to the car until she came to her senses in the barn "with nothing whatever on."

Mrs. Jones said she tried to scream in the barn, but Dunn put his hand over her mouth.

She was pressed to state what she accused said, but she sobbed and cried, "I can't possibly tell you all that he said."

Eventually she wrote something down, and a slip of paper was passed by the judge to the jury.

Mr. J. I. Elsdon (cross-examining): May I take it that you had not intended to limit your attention to your fiancée that night?

Mrs. Jones: I might dance with other people.

Continuing his questioning Mr. Elsdon said, "I suggest that your story is quite untrue."

"It is not untrue," cried Mrs. Jones striking the ledge of the witness box with her hand.

### "No Right To Do So"

Mr. Elsdon: I put it to you that he offered to take you for a run in the car as you wanted to get fresh air.

"He had no right to do so," cried Mrs. Jones, wiping the tears from her face. "He was only a car park attendant."

She said that she did not remember getting into a car with Dunn and using endearing terms to him.

Mr. Elsdon: Did you also say that this man had been keeping you ardently during the evening—I do not remember.

I put it to you that far from crying out you yourself said you would meet him the next evening?—I said I would meet him so he would let me go.

She added that she did not remember giving Dunn a brooch so as to make sure he would meet her the next evening. She had received her brooch through Dunn's mother.

She declared that in one of her statements, when she said that she must have consented, she did so because she was told that if she did the case would be suppressed.

Mrs. Jones said it was some one who had told her mother that it would be suppressed if she said she had given her consent.

### "Faulty Recollection"

The judge asked Mr. Goodman

### FOR THE SWEET BYE AND BYE



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### Earl Jellicoe Leaves £13,370

### DIRECTIONS FOR BIOGRAPHY

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He directed the trustees of the deed of trust relating to his historical documents, MSS., &c., to permit Admiral Sir Reginald Bacon to have access thereto for the purpose of writing his biography.

His Naval books and books in connection with the Great War to his son;

His decorations, swords of honour, other articles presented to him in recognition of his services during the European War, the gold watch, silver cigar box, and silver cigarette case presented to him by the late King of Scotland, and other articles as belonging to follow the title;

£100 to Mrs. Lavender, wife of Mr. Lavender, signal bosun-wain in the Royal Navy, who was serving in H.M.S. Shannon during 1917 "in memory of her kind care of my children during several years";

One year's wages to each domestic servant of five years' service and under notice;

£200 to Alex Macintosh, Secretary to Messrs. Cayer, Irvine and Co.

The residue of the property goes to his wife for life, with remainder to his son, Lord Jellicoe, adding that he had already made provision for his daughters.

### FREE MUSIC FOR THIS PRISON

Graz, Austria, Feb. 29. The local jail in the village of Fibiswald, near here, is assured of free music for some time to come.

Informed that a so-called friendly association dance was really a secret Nazi gathering, the police cleaned up the ball-room, transporting the band as well as the dancing couple to jail.

The revellers are being held pending investigation into their alleged Nazi activities.

Roberts if it was wise to proceed with the case.

Mr. Goodman Roberts consulted with the chief constable, and then announced that he thought that it would be a dangerous position to put the accused in jeopardy on evidence which was, at any rate, a faulty recollection.

The judge said he thought the prosecution were acting rightly.

Dunn had made a long statement in which he admitted frankly his association with this woman, and said that she not only gave her consent, but more than consented.

"She was not quite a girl without experience," said the judge.

"And there is no doubt that she was very drunk indeed, and things might have happened that night which were not creditable to anybody."

The jury consulted together, and the foreman said that they considered that the case should be stopped.

The judge commented strongly on the way "in which these young people had been allowed to drink outside an unlicensed dance hall."

### AMAZING Story of British Officer's Trick

### DRAMATIC CALL TO FLEET

### AND A DARING RUSE THAT STOPPED GERMANS

AN ASTONISHING story of how a British officer was responsible for winning the Great War by an astute trick which resulted in almost certain victory being snatched from the Germans was revealed in London last month.

The incident took place on the final days of the first battle of Flanders, October 29, 1914, when the enemy were on the point of routing the Allied forces completely and seizing Paris.

The Germans had attacked France from three directions, through the Vosges, along the Marne, and through Belgium.

The Belgian Army, retreating day by day, exhausted and beaten, were no longer able to withstand the decisive attack which they knew would come at dawn on October 29.

Then a British officer, Captain Roger Bradman, who was in command of a British destroyer on North Sea patrol work, put into operation a daring scheme.

He landed on the sand dunes near Nieuport and arranged for 180 Belgian soldiers to wear Scottish uniforms which his vessel had been carrying for the 1st Cameron Highlanders.

Ambulances and ammunition trucks were rushed up close to the shore and by torchlight the crates containing the uniforms were transferred from the destroyer and ferried to the land.

The Belgian soldiers then broke up the crates with bayonets and assembled the uniforms in orderly piles.

An amazing scene then took place. By the flickering light of a fire 180 men donned the kilts and khaki tunics. An hour before dawn the task was finished and the disguised Belgians were ready.

The last killed figure disappeared into the dunes and the destroyer put out to sea.

### Signal From Shore.

At daybreak the German barge came down again and the attack was launched. The final day of the first Battle of Flanders had begun.

To the Germans' astonishment they found themselves confronted by what was apparently a crack British regiment. To the German command it was obvious what had happened. The British had landed substantial reinforcements under cover of night.

The surprised Germans soon wavered—and were lost. The Belgians mowed them down with machine-guns till their bodies were piled three deep.

This remarkable story is told by Robert Buckner, a graduate of Flanders.

Just before nightfall the Belgians opened the lower dykes of the Yser. The battle was over and the Allies' left flank was saved.

From that hour until the end of the war the Germans never advanced a foot farther through Flanders.

Professor Haldane states that already the results are showing points of interest, but he is insistent that more information is still required, especially regarding child patients in country districts, where more inbreeding occurs than in towns.

### Rare Caves Found In Tasmania

A subterranean cavern of surpassing beauty has been found in a Tasmanian forest.

An axman felling a tree was mystified at the complete disappearance of a limb, as though the earth had swallowed it. Cutting his way through thick bush and undergrowth he came across a yawning cavity into which the limb had disappeared. Following the track of the limb he groped his way about with matches until he found himself inside the cavern.

In large subterranean chambers he discovered fantastic limestone formations in rich colours. There are stalactites, varying from a few inches to 50 feet in length, stretching from weird ceiling; stalagmites reaching upward in majestic splendour, miniature rivers and lifelike figures.

One limestone column is 50 feet high and 7 feet 6 inches in girth. Fossilized remains of Tasmania's marsupial wolf, now almost extinct, were found.

Hot springs emitting steam are close at hand, the temperature being 104 degrees Fahrenheit. Twenty yards away is a creek with icy cold water. Water from the hot springs was sent to a laboratory and it was found that when warmed it generated gas.

The caverns are about 40 miles south of Hobart. They are to be opened up and electrically lighted for inspection.

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The judge commented strongly on the way "in which these young people had been allowed to drink outside an unlicensed dance hall."

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Jalal Quraishi, a sheik in flowing robes and scarlet skull-cap, sits in a laboratory in Oxford-street, blending perfumes. He has travelled round the world in order to gather rare recipes and his name of amell has been insured for £2,000.

### CHILDREN OF "COUSIN MARRIAGES"

### INVESTIGATING THE CONSEQUENCES

In the current issue of *The Lancet* Professor J. B. S. Haldane appeals for more detailed information, so that a scientific answer may be obtained to the question: "Are marriages of first cousins likely to produce diseased offspring?"

There are certain rare diseases of the skin and eyes which are known to be far commoner among the children of related parents than among the population in general, but this fact does not afford a definite answer to the question posed above.

A special "Committee on Human Genetics" appointed by the Medical Research Council is collecting information from certain hospitals where all patients are being asked whether their parents were related, and, if so, how.

Professor Haldane states that already the results are showing points of interest, but he is insistent that more information is still required, especially regarding child patients in country districts, where more inbreeding occurs than in towns.

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### CHINA'S LOSS IN SIXTY YEARS

Shanghai, March 6.

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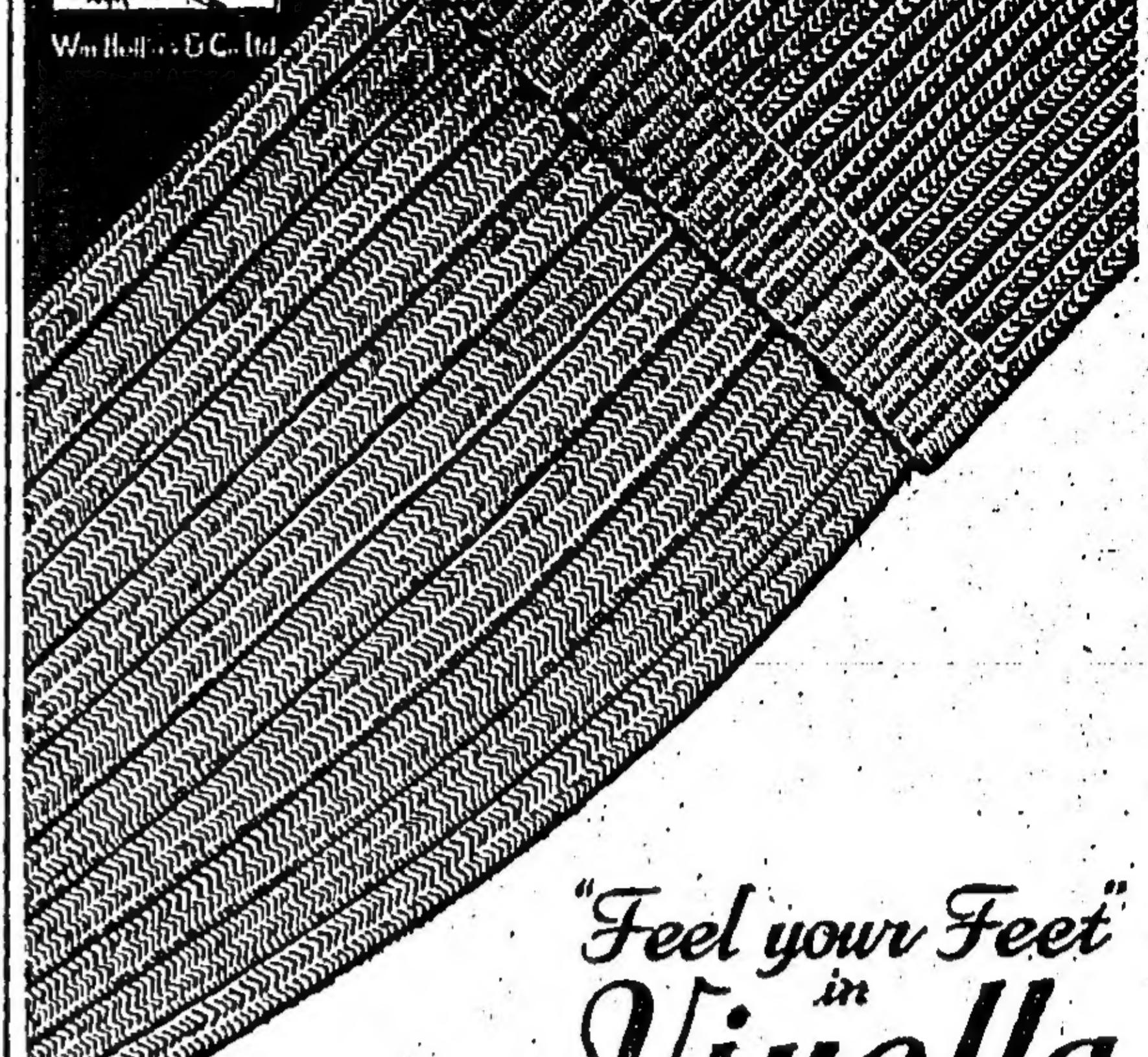
Yet in the past 60 years, the natural increase in population has approximately equalled the same figure, and despite the toll of lives taken each year, the nation is still faced with the problem of caring for its too numerous population, according to Professor Chiao Chi-ming, of the College of Agriculture and Forestry of the University of Nanking.

To cope with this situation, Professor Chiao suggests that the legal marriage age be regulated by law and that early marriage be strictly prohibited. He favours birth-control also, but feels that because the masses must be educated to it, it would take many years to popularise this method of reducing the population.

The majority of China's 400,000,000 people live in the rural districts of the country and gain their livelihood from the cultivation of the land. Since, however, there are only about 228,997,707 acres of land under cultivation in the country, China now has only about three-fourth of an acre per capita.

In comparison with China's rate of population increase, Prof. Chiao points out, Soviet Russia would require only 27 years to double her population; Japan 54 years, the United States 99 years, Germany 116 years, England and Wales 142 years and France 289 years. China's natural increase rate is second only to that of the U.S.S.R.—United Press.

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G. D. G. FERGUSSON.  
Surgeon Captain,  
Medical Officer in Charge.

Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, 11th March, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 47th Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1936, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 10th March, 1936, to Wednesday, the 18th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. C. T. BECK,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1936.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1935.

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**CINEMA NOTES**

The story of a modern girl with a super-charged temper who meets and loves a man who prefers fighting to eating was brought to the screen in Paramount's latest picture, "The Bride Comes Home," next attraction at the Queen's Theatre, with Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray in the featured roles. It is a thoroughly amusing story, skilfully presented, and possesses a definite appeal for all married couples. The spectacle of a young woman and a young man who disagree on everything from spinach to tooth-brushes, but manage in their impetuous way to work out their heavy problem, would be difficult to present without being entertaining. Yet "The Bride Comes Home" is more than that. The picture could not have better cast. Lovely Miss Colbert is superb as the society girl whose father has lost all his money and who decides to go to work, while MacMurray is grand as the hard-boiled, two-fisted newspaperman who turns magazine editor and finds Miss Colbert as his assistant. Though they battle from the moment of their meeting, the magnetic force of love conspires to bring them to the threshold of marriage—with the jilted playboy millionaire, Robert Young, left sulking in the corner. Hilarious events follow that "The Bride Comes Home" is a picture that should be marked down as "must be seen."

Chaplin Film Coming

Charlie Chaplin arrived here this morning on the Dollar Liner President Coolidge. Accompanying him is Paulette Goddard, his leading lady, Chaplin's latest and by far his best picture, "Modern Times," has been booked by the King's Theatre, and will be played the end of April. Alexander Woolcott, one of America's top radio commentators, recently broadcast from coast-to-coast a most remarkable tribute to Charlie Chaplin in "Modern Times." Mr. Woolcott said in part: "Now I know how I'm going to spend February. I'm going every day to see Charlie Chaplin in 'Modern Times' and several days in March too, and I've no doubt in the world that a year from now, if able to walk (and two years from now) I'll be chasing it up side streets in far corners of the earth. For it is, I think, far and away the best job he's ever done." Mr. Woolcott, on his recent trip to Hollywood, was one of the very privileged few to see "Modern Times," and this great tribute to Mr. Chaplin's genius was passed by him to most audiences of millions of radio listeners. Two million gold dollars have gone into the making of "Modern Times," which was two years in production. Of particular interest is the fact that the first sequence in a Charlie Chaplin film to be shot directly in sound will be seen and heard in "Modern Times." It is in this scene that Chaplin performs a pantomime of the old French song, "Titina," and comes closest to letting his voice be heard from the screen. The remainder of the film, in accordance with the famous comedian's tradition, has been photographed as a silent, with synchronized sound and musical effects. The film serves to introduce Paulette Goddard, the star's newest discovery, in the leading feminine role. In the supporting cast are Henry Bergman, Chester

advantage over the stage production will probably be found in its beautiful natural backgrounds. Several of the more important scenes were filmed amid the grandeur of the Dolomites and on the canals of Venice, where the company spent several weeks on location last summer. Another scene, a ballet with music by that meteoric genius William Walton, was filmed on the stage of Drury Lane Theatre. Some interesting newcomers are brought to screen in this B. and D. production. These include Hugh Sinclair who played opposite Bergner in the play, Penelope Dudley Ward who makes her debut in the important part of Fenella, and Leon Quartermaine who has never before played in talking film. Others of the strong cast include Irene Vanbrugh, Lynn Harding and Griffith Jones. Dr. Paul Czinner, husband of Miss Bergner, directed the film.

"The Irish in Us"

Warner Bros., "The Irish in Us," with James Cagney, Pat O'Brien and Frank McHugh in the leading roles, now delights audiences at the Queen's Theatre. It is said to be one of the most entertaining pictures of the season, combining riotous comedy with tense drama, pathos and a most unusual love story, involving the love of two brothers for the same girl. The cast as well as the director and most of the crew are Irish, including that inimitable trio, Cagney, O'Brien and McHugh as the three sons of Mary Gordon, herself born in Ireland. Once a happy family, a rift sets in when Cagney and O'Brien fall in love with the same girl, Olivia de Havilland. The film presents what is said to be the longest and most fiercely fought ring bout in history. Although it takes but fifteen minutes on the screen, it was five days in the making. Cagney and Harry Parry, former boxing champion and his contestants, Farrell MacDonald and Thomas Jackson also have important roles. The picture was directed by Lloyd Bacon, an Irishman despite his English name. The screen play is by Earl Baldwin based on the story by Frank Orsatti.

"Steamboat Round The Bend"

Out of the romantic page of American history, Fox Film has added one of the most exciting and colourful phases of Mississippi River life to furnish a thrilling climax for Will Rogers' new picture, "Steamboat Round The Bend," now at the King's Theatre. Once a year the fastest packets of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers would line up amid a great celebration and stage a steamboat race from Natchez to New Orleans, the gala event of the year. Crowds would line the shores, river craft would drift up and down stream cheering their favourites and all work was forgotten in the excitement and anticipation of a thrilling race. In the film, as in the old days, Rogers and Irvin S. Cobb, rival steamboat pilots, employ every possible means of winning the race. Old furniture, wax statues, fire-water medicine, and most anything that would burn are used as fuel to turn the tide of victory. The race, however, is merely a highlight to the dramatic climax, since Rogers' sole purpose in entering the race is to save the life of a boy, who through a misunderstanding is held by the law for murder. In support of Rogers and Cobb, the large cast of players includes Anne Shirley, Eugene Pallette, John McGuire, Burton Churchill and Stepin Fetchit.

**"Escape Me Never"**

Margaret Kennedy's stage play "Escape Me Never," written specially for Elisabeth Bergner, took both London and New York by storm. The film version, adapted by Miss Kennedy, is at the Star Theatre to-day and is claimed to be an improvement on the original. The film's principal

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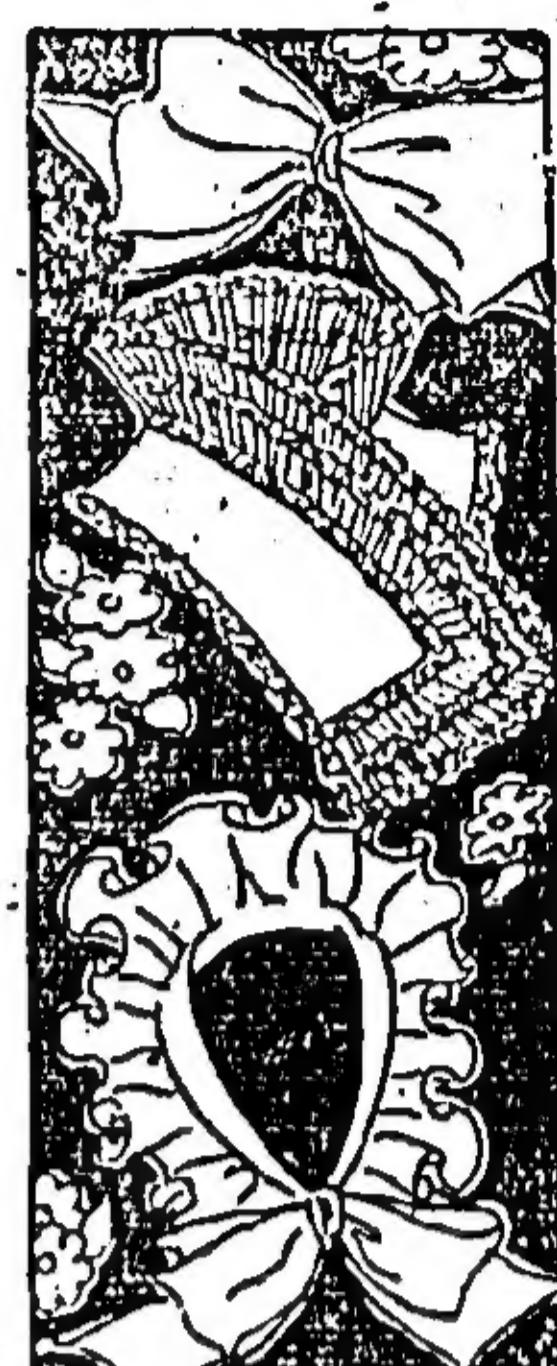
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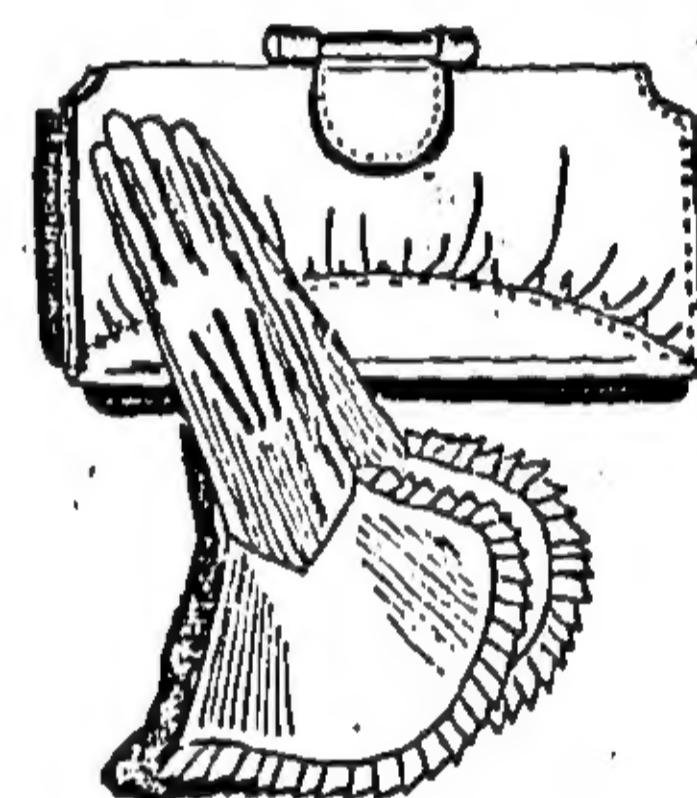
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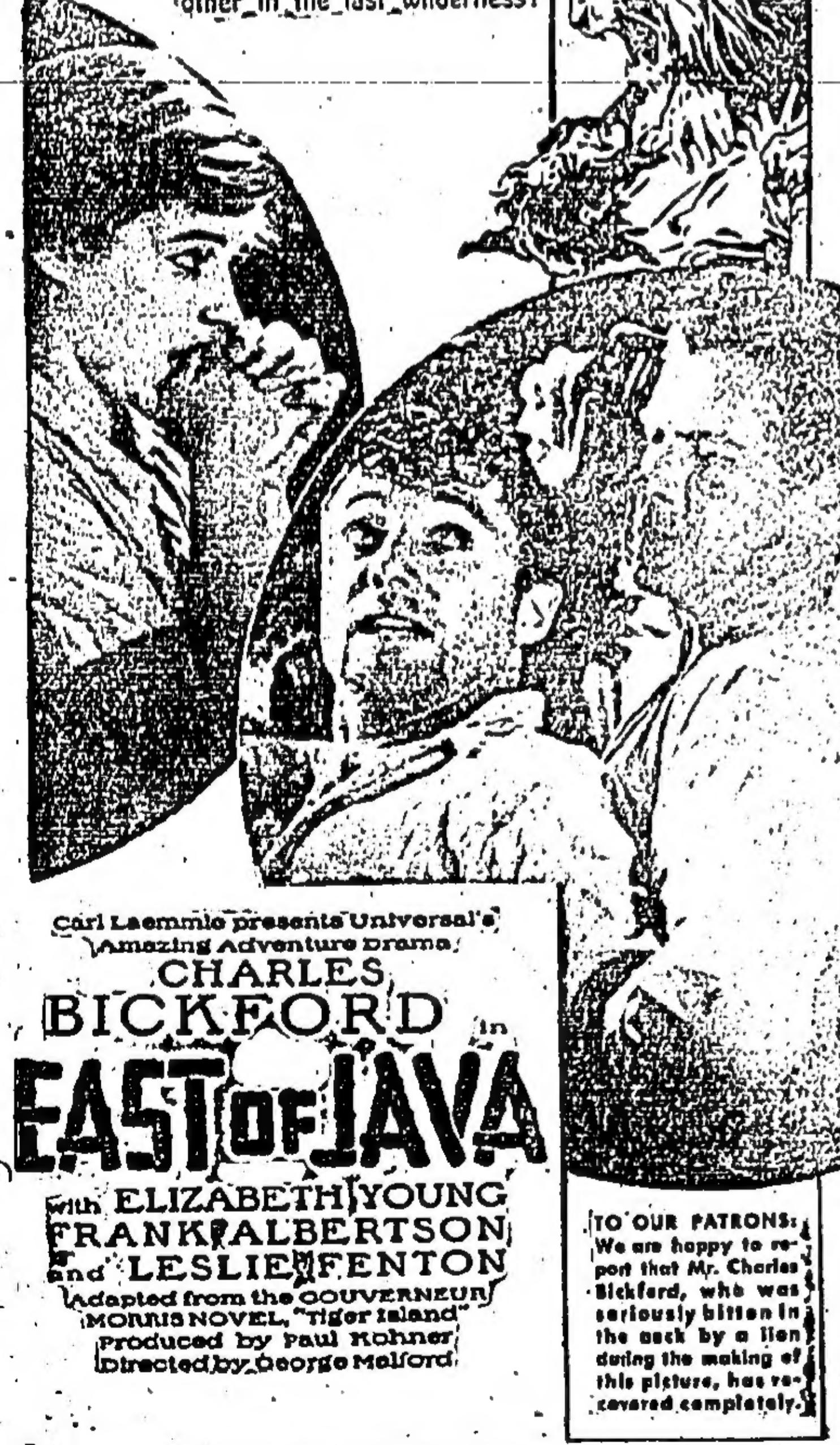
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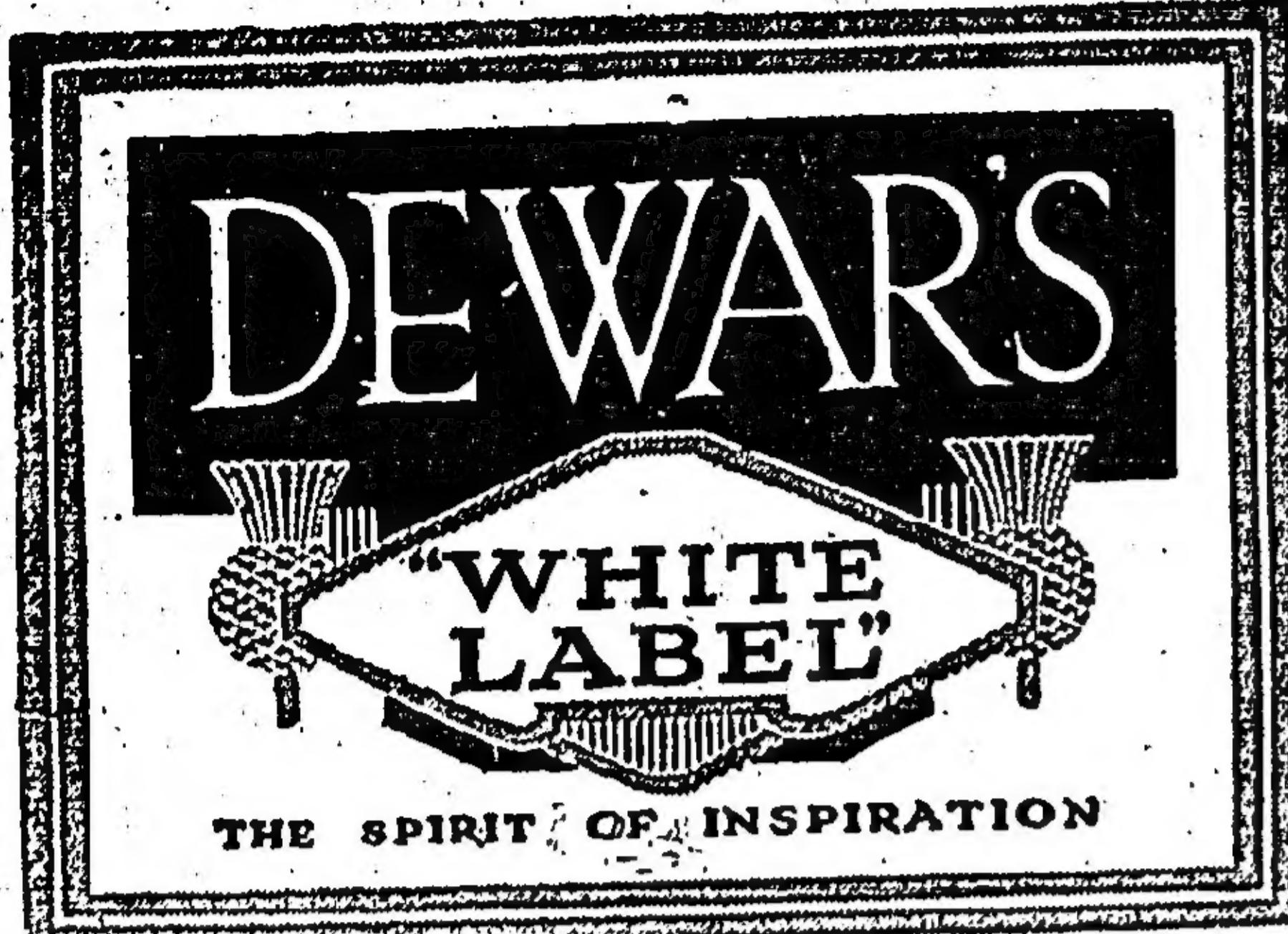
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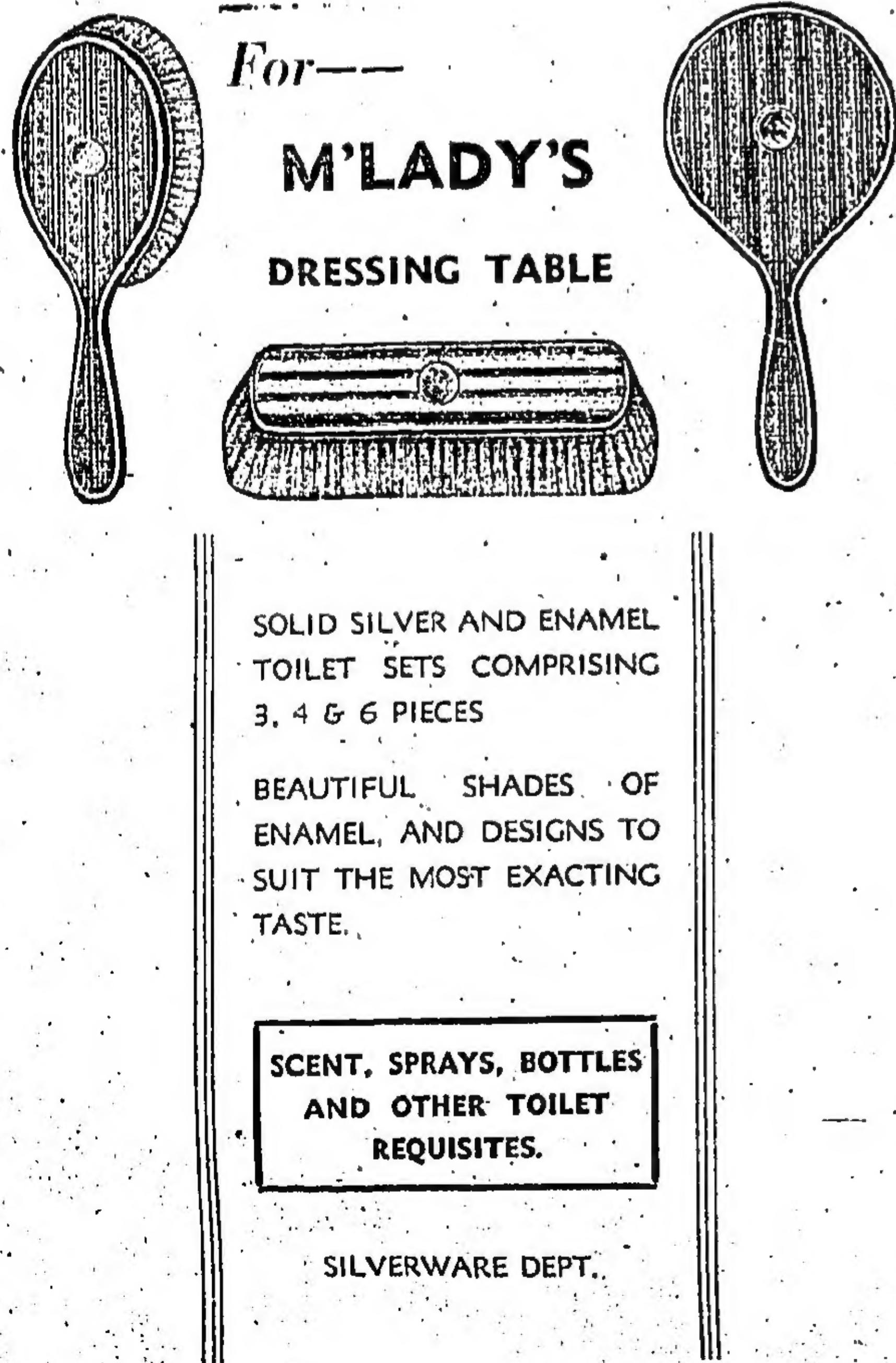
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### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. J. S. Smith takes this opportunity of thanking the many friends for all the expressions of sympathy; the floral tributes and those who were present at the funeral of his dear wife.

**The Hongkong Telegraph.**

THURSDAY, MAR. 12, 1936.

### FOR THE CHILDREN

Both the need for and the appreciation of the functions discharged by the Children's Play-ground Association are well illustrated in the annual report of that organisation, just issued. It is shown that the annual attendance at the playing-grounds maintained by the Association reaches a figure of well over seven hundred thousand, and that on the Hongkong side the most popular area, the Southern Play-ground, draws an average daily attendance of five hundred children, whilst the biggest ground in Kowloon provides facilities for an average of three hundred and fifty. A moment's reflection will serve to give some impression of what this means to youngsters who, but for the existence of the Association, would have nowhere but the streets in which to play. Thanks to the facilities provided, happiness and healthy exercise are brought to these children, and they are enabled to enjoy themselves without the ever-constant danger from traffic which is encountered in the streets. There is the further factor, of which sight should not be lost, that children who are provided with outdoor sports privileges are less likely to get into mischief during the time they have on their hands, whilst the physical benefits which they secure must in the long run make them fitter and better citizens. From all aspects, the work which the Association is doing is to be warmly commended. But what has so far been achieved is only a tithe of what is needed in this Colony. There should be dotted about, on both sides of the harbour, dozens of playing-grounds, catering especially to children who live in unsavoury and overcrowded localities. Such "lungs" are an absolute necessity in the interests of public health. But all these things require funds, in which connection we should like to underline the appeal of the Association for further financial support. It is disclosed that the funds secured during the past year came from sixteen clubs and associations, with only eight subscriptions from individual donors. As the Committee remarks, it is difficult to believe that only eight individuals in the Colony consider the Association worthy of financial support. The greater the measure of monetary help given, the wider will be the scope of the Association's activities. Perhaps a reminder of the health and happiness which the Association is bringing into the lives of the poor children of the Colony will induce a greater measure of public assistance than is at present forthcoming.

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In somewhat similar circumstances, many years before, another boy had found, amid the rank luxuriance of London life, a key to fame and fortune. He also had missed much that should be the birthright of every child. But the alchemy of genius transmuted bitterness and suffering into the gold of great literature and gave us the novels of Charles Dickens.

Between these two there is an essential similarity. Both knew hardness in childhood. Both made their misfortunes stepping-stones to success. They developed along different lines, chose different mediums of expression, but both quarried in the same rich mine of common life and found there treasure of laughter and drama for the delight of all mankind.

So we need not regret the shadows that fell over Charlie Chaplin's early life. Without them his gifts might have shone less brightly, and the whole world would have been poorer.

Genius is essentially a hardy plant. It thrives in the east wind. It withers in hothouse. That is true in every walk of life. The reason the historic British families have produced so many men of distinction is that, on the whole, they have borne great responsibilities rather than enjoyed great wealth.

NATURALLY and inevitably, once school days were over, the youthful Charlie Chaplin found his way on to the stage.

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We like to think of Charlie Chaplin as a Briton, but America gave a new direction, a new edge to his quality. It opened to him new fields of character and circumstance.

Twenty-five years ago, when the young actor crossed the Atlantic, life in the States was more fluid than in England—more fluid, perhaps, than it is to-day. Its forms had not set. Personalities were more important than conventions.

Besides, the colonies themselves should have something to say about it. We cannot imagine a plebeian redistribution of the world's natural resources. They say that some nations have too many, and other nations have too few. Some of the more radical of the reformers would have Great Britain give away some of her colonial possessions—just as another race of reformers wanted Britain to give away or scrap her Navy a few years ago. But colonies and navies are essential to the well-being of an Empire, comes the retort. And so we have a deadlock.

Class distinctions mattered comparatively little when the assistant of to-day was so often the employer of to-morrow, and the majority of professional men had paid for their university training with the work of their hands.

Even poverty wore a different face in America. It was not the bitter, grinding destitution Charlie had encountered in London.

In many cases it was a poverty deliberately chosen, rather than imposed from without.

Every cinema-goer is familiar with the Chaplin tramps, but how many of them have reflected how characteristically American are these homeless waifish.

film magnate left it at that. But now he was no longer bored. He had a new interest in life. He returned to the attack. This time his offer was £30. Charlie still hesitated, but in the end he accepted. And so to Hollywood and the beginning of the most astounding career in cinema history.

It is Mr. Chaplin's dream to play tragic roles as well as comic ones.

The man whose glorious fooling made "Shoulder Arms" a favourite with war-weary veterans of the trenches wants to re-interpret Napoleon to the world. There are other characters, as far removed from those in which he desires to portray.

Those who smile at these ambitions have not appreciated Chaplin's genius at its true worth. No mere clown, however brilliant, could ever have captured so completely the affections of the great public. He owes his unrivaled position as a star to the fact that he is a great actor, who can tug at our heart-strings as surely as he compels our laughter. There are moments, in some of his films, of an almost unbearable poignancy.

It is a great achievement, and one possible only to a consummate actor, to command at once tears and laughter. But it is the laughter which predominates, and Mr. Chaplin is perfectly right in desiring an opportunity of playing straight tragedy.

Until he does so, his pathos will be regarded as merely a by-product of his toothbrush moustache and the ludicrous Chaplin walk.

Probably had it not been for the coming of the talkies we would already have seen this great star in a serious role. He is the one figure of the old silent screen to whom the triumph of the spoken word has meant neither speech nor extinction.

He relies, as of old, upon a pantomime that is more expressive than talk. But while the silence of Charlie Chaplin has lost none of its former magic, his mirth meant business. Round he went to the back, was ushered into Chaplin's tiny dressing-room, and at once proceeded to offer him £16 a week to play in Keystone comedies.

It was more money than he had ever earned before, but Charlie said "No." That only made Mr. Kessel more determined. He raised his bid to £20 a week. Still Charlie said "No." For the moment the

Kindness Pays



Kindness to an aged woman brought Mrs. Hazel Keaton, San Jose, Calif., U.S.\$100 a month for life. Twelve years ago Mrs. Keaton nursed Mrs. Carrie Burns through a long illness. Mrs. Burns' brother, L. E. Hatch of New York, heard of the deed and left Mrs. Keaton an annuity of \$100 a month for life.

## Gaol For 'Last Of Romanoffs'

### £44,000 FRAUDS BY MAN AND WIFE

Sentences of five years' penal servitude were passed by Mr. Justice Charles at Exeter Assizes on a man and wife arraigned on false pretences charges involving a total £44,000. The woman had posed as a daughter of the late Tsar of Russia.

The couple, John Kay Harding, 52, an engineer, and Olga Harding, 43, formerly of St. Cleer, Dawlish, had pleaded guilty to eight charges of obtaining sums totalling over £5,000 from a Mr. and Mrs. Brett and a Mr. Jennings, of Dawlish. It was stated yesterday that there were additional charges involving another £40,000.

These additional charges were: At Brighton, on various dates between 1928 and 1931, obtaining by false pretences £30,000 from Emily Pring Munro; at Dawlish, between Sept. 30, 1933, and Jan. 31, 1935, obtaining £8,000 from Reginald Otten, of Walnut House, Exeter; and between May 20, 1935, and Dec. 12, 1935, obtaining the sum of £1,600 from William Grylls Maundur, of Newton Abbot. All these charges were admitted by the accused.

Mr. J. Anthony Hawke, prosecuting, said when the prisoners came to live at Dawlish they met Mr. and Mrs. Brett, manager and manageress of the Royal Hotel.

Mrs. Harding began to unfold what she termed the history of her life—"afeat of imagination and ingenious invention which one is almost called upon to admire," said Mr. Hawke. "Mrs. Harding told Mr. and Mrs. Brett that she was the daughter of the late Tsar of Russia, and was the last of the Romanoffs."

### A GREAT HEIRESS

"She said that her mother was a lady of the very highest degree living on the Continent. She produced a marriage certificate dated Aug. 19, 1924, in which she was described as the divorced wife of Count Carveski and in which her former name was given as Olga Romanoff.

"Actually her real name was Vampier, and she is a native of Laxton, Nottinghamshire.

"She said she was a great heiress, had an ancestral home at Lulworth, and estates in Bude, Cornwall, and at Athens. On one or two other occasions she mentioned an estate at Weymouth as well."

Mr. Hawke described how she said that she returned to Russia in disguise after the revolution and succeeded in smuggling out of the country documents which proved her title to these estates. By alleging that she had instituted an action in the Chancery Court she obtained various sums of money from Mr. and Mrs. Brett and Mr. Jennings to assist in defrauding the legal costs.

In July, 1933, she gave a lavish party to celebrate the coming of age of her daughter. Mr. Hawke said "It was announced at the party that a salute of 21 guns was being fired in Athens to celebrate the coming-of-age of the 'Princess.'

"The extraordinary thing is that everybody seemed to believe this remarkable story. Actually these two people have been convicted thieves. In 1922 they were convicted together at Southampton for obtaining money by false pretences, and again in 1925 at the Hampshire Sessions, they were sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment. (Continued on Next Column.)

# First Of New £30,000,000 Empire Merchant Fleet Sets Out

WHEN the Union Castle motor-ship Stirling Castle started her maiden voyage from Southampton to the Cape recently, there began a new and busy chapter in the story of Empire shipping.

Within the next two years a fleet of no fewer than fifty luxurious ships, worth thirty million pounds, will make their first voyages along the routes of Empire. Many of them will come into service this year.

Nearing completion on the Clyde are two steamers for Bombay and fruit-carrying passenger motor-ship for Jamaica.

On the Tyne are a passenger and fruit-carrying motor-ship for New Zealand, and a similar vessel for South Africa.

At Birkenhead are three reconditioned cargo and passenger ships of 11,000 tons each for the Blue Star Line.

At Barrow is the 24,000-ton passenger steamer Ordeadeas for the Orient Line.

Belfast, bidding to continue the home of the world's biggest shipbuilding firms, is constructing eight passenger ships for Empire routes.

### NEW MOTOR SHIPS

They include the 25,000-ton Atlantic Castle for the Union Castle's Cape run; two passenger and cargo motor-ships, 15,000 tons each, for the same company's Round-Africa service; an 11,000-ton motorship for a Melbourne company; and a 10,000-ton cargo and passenger motor-ship for the Lamport and Holt line.

The launching of ships now on the stocks will be followed by the laying down of other keels.

### 16 YEARS TO PAY

### MONEYLENDER TO GET 6D A MONTH

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maltwood, who were sued at Chelmsford County Court last month, were given 16 years in which to pay a sum of £1,16s claimed by Edwin Cowtan, a moneylender, of Highbury New Park, N., as arrears of interest on a loan of £10 made in 1930.

Mr. Registrar Friend asked why, although this was the third action for interest, over £21 having been paid by the borrowers, no action had been taken for repayment of the capital.

"We thought the order we should get would be so small," replied plaintiff's solicitor, "that it would take years to pay."

The Registrar: And meanwhile interest against these people accumulates at the rate of 48 per cent. per annum. I am not at all sure that I should not hold the transaction harsh and unconscionable, but he shall have his money at the rate of 6d per month.

ment on charges of conspiracy and false pretences."

Mr. Hawke said that only recently information arrived from the Brighton police that the couple had been living there from 1925 to 1931, and that was an outstanding charge against them involving a sum of £30,000.

### STORY OF A MILLIONAIRE

Major Morris, Chief Constable of Devon, referring to the £30,000 Brighton charge, said that the woman who was defrauded, then aged between 60 and 65, came under the influence of Mrs. Harding, who was then acting as a clairvoyant.

"She led her to believe that a millionaire was disposing of his estate in South Africa and required capital to wind up the estate. When this was done he would return to England and marry her," said Major Morris.

"The woman undoubtedly believed that this was true, wrote to her relatives to this effect, and handed over sums of money estimated at £30,000."

Major Morris added that although the woman had been defrauded she was reluctant to give the necessary evidence which would have resulted in immediate proceedings being taken.

"The old lady is now in frail health and is very hopeful that her address need not be disclosed," added Major Morris.

Mr. Justice Charles: I think I might agree to that.

Replies to Mr. Malcolm Wright (defending), Major Morris said that the two accused had done everything possible to help the police to clear up the various matters.

Mr. Wright mentioned that the accused had instructed their solicitors to sell all their properties with the view to repaying part of the money they had obtained by false pretences. "The sale is taking place and £1,000 has been realised so far," he said.

### Vandals Loot Tomb Of Saint

Vienna, Mar. 6.

The tomb of St. Josephat, a Roman Catholic saint, in Vienna's St. Barbara Church, has been pillaged.

The glass shrine on the altar, containing the relics of the saint, was broken by burglars, and a heavy golden chain with a cross, the pious donation of Archduke William, was stolen.

Josephat was a Catholic Basque monk who became archbishop of Polesie, Eastern Poland, in the early 11th Century.

In 1623 he was killed by rival Russian Pravoslav priests in a fight between Catholic Ukrainians and Pravoslav Russians.

### Shrine of Ukrainians

The tomb of Josephat, who was beatified 20 years after his death and subsequently canonized, soon became the centre of pilgrimage for Roman Catholic Ukrainians.

During the war between Sweden and Russia in the late 17th Century, which largely was fought in that region, the bones of the saint had frequently to change their resting place to thwart thieves and desecrators.

After the war they were restored to their original shrine in Polock, but did not remain there long.

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There they were found, but without the silver casket, and Emperor Charles had them transferred to St. Barbara's Church in Vienna.

A wealthy Canadian family of French extraction by which the saint was held in particular veneration provided the new silver and glass case, and Archduke William, who was pretender to the throne of Ukraine, gave the golden chain and cross which were stolen so recently.—United Press.

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### Deportation Due



Duncan Renaldo, former Hollywood film star, began his flight to escape deportation from his native land after being released from McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary. He served 29 months for allegedly falsifying passport records.

### 'DIVORCED' BY ONE OF HIS VICTIMS

"You passed through life leaving a trail of wreckage behind you."

So spoke Judge Dodson at the Old Bailey recently to a self-confessed double bigamist before passing sentence of eighteen months' imprisonment.

The man, James Tozeland Gascoigne, fifty-three years old, pleaded guilty to bigamously marrying Elsie Ruby Schmidt, widow, and Miss Madeline Jackson. The judge described the case as one of the strangest he had ever heard.

Mr. L. A. Byrne, prosecuting, said there were other charges against the prisoner of obtaining money by false pretences, but as he had pleaded guilty to bigamy he would not proceed with them.

Gascoigne, Mr. Byrne went on, was married to his lawful wife in 1902 in Northampton. They lived together until 1917, and there were four children.

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SEARCHING TESTS

Selected artists are likely to be invited to submit drawings.

Eventually a few of them will be asked to carve models of their proposed coins.

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## RADIO BROADCAST

### The Continental Trio From The Studio

#### Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):

5-6 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra

6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert

6.30-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra

7-7.13 p.m. "The Three Men Suite" (Eric Coates)

7.13-7.30 p.m. A Recital by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

1. My Sunshine is you (Stolz);

2. Springtime reminds me of you (Jurman); 3. Serenado ("Student Prince") (Rombert); 4. Vienna, City of my dreams; 5. I'll Always be true (Benatzky).

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio Selections by "The Continental Trio."

#### Programme

1. I'm sitting high on a hill top;

2. Violin Solo—My Buddy; 3. Piano Solo—Selected; 4. Zueya Pumpenn;

5. Violin Solo—Aulon; 6. East of the Sun, West of the Moon; 7. Piano Solo—Selected; 8. No Strings.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-9.11 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9.11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-9 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a Frequency of 610 kilocycles.

8.05-8.30 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra, directed by Alfred Van Dam. Relayed from the Trocadero Cinema, London.

8.30-9 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Instrumental—Fox-Trot Medley...

Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffin; Song—

—I can wiggle my ears ("First a Girl"); Jessie Matthews; Violin Solo—Grinning... Albert Sandler; Vocal

Duet—I'm on a See-Saw ("Jill Darling"); Louise Brown and John Mills; Instrumental—Rollin' Home

...The Eight Piano Symphony; Song—The Echo of a Song... Turner Layton; Vocal—in the shade of the old apple tree... The Four Aces; Waltz—Underneath the blue Hawaiian Skies; Waltz—Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl.

9.15-9.30 p.m. Concert Waltzes.

Tales from the Vienna Woods (J. Strauss); Roses from the South (J. Strauss).

9.30-10 p.m. Dance Music.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Close Down.

#### DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

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# HOW FUTURE OF INJURED FOOTBALL PLAYERS IS ASSURED

## F.A. £70,000 FUND: £300 FOR WIDOW OF REFEREE

Compensation for injured occurs. As regards international and inter-league games the position is different. The F.A. and the League have every player capped for each match covered up to £4,000. This insures the clubs for any loss they may incur by a player being either killed or permanently disabled.

Arsenal were responsible for this stand a few years ago, when they declined to release players for representative games at home or abroad unless they were insured so as to be covered under the Compensation Act and the club guaranteed a specific sum.

The Arsenal took the first step themselves when in May 1933 they insured Charlie Jones and Bob John, playing for Wales against France for £6,000 each. Now the F.A. and the League, for their own representative games, cover the players in a fund to indemnify their clubs if necessary.

The Workmen's Compensation Act, of course, covers players in F.A. Cup matches, as well as games played on club tours.

### BENEVOLENT FUND

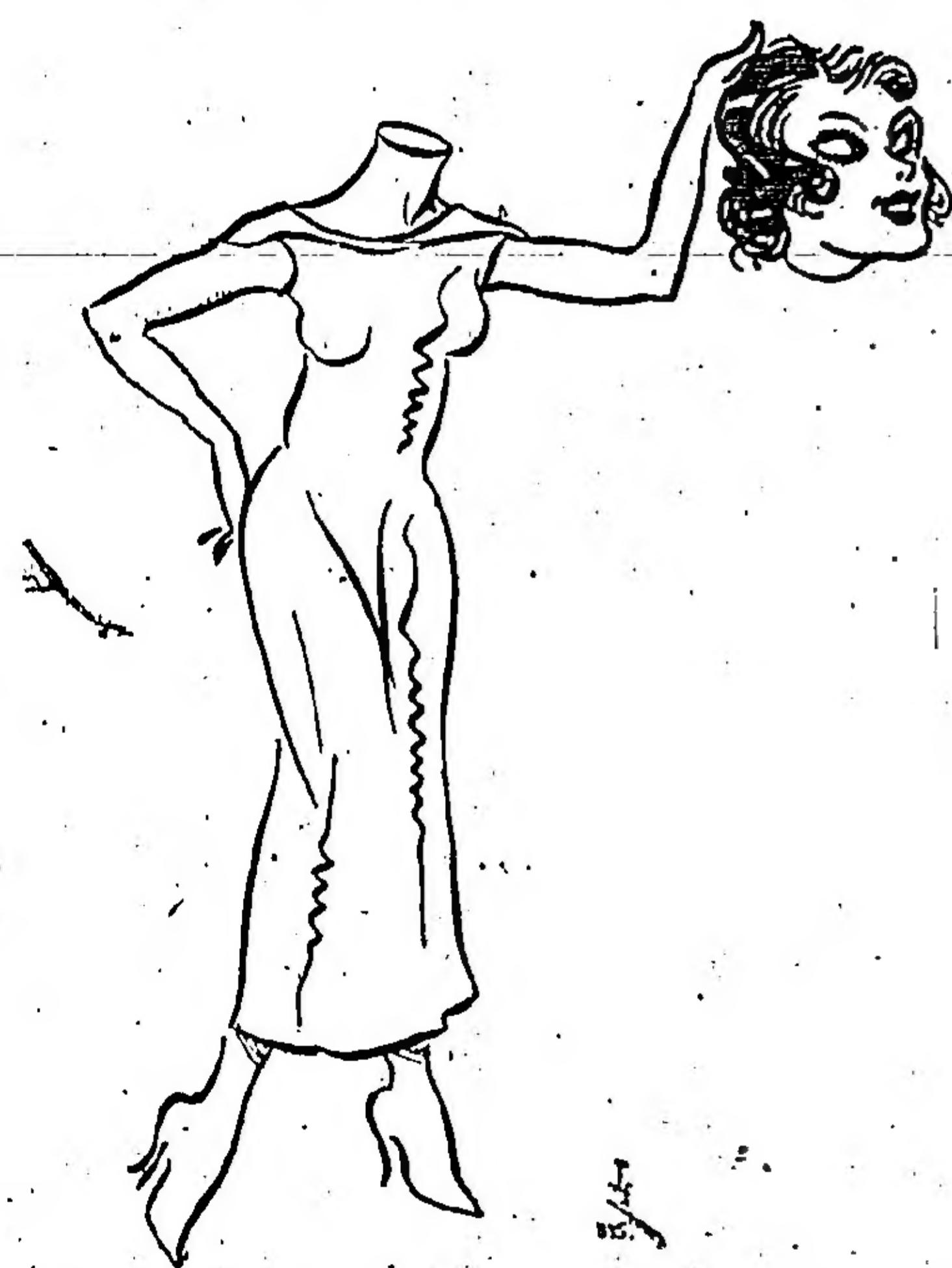
There is another fund that often comes to the aid of necessitous players or their families. This is the F.A. Benevolent Fund, which has something like £70,000 invested. It was this fund that came to the aid of Marsden, the Sheffield Wednesday half back, who was permanently injured in Germany.

It has been declared that the F.A. Benevolent Fund might be more generously distributed, since it has been established out of the proceeds of the game.

One instance proving that the F.A. deal more generously than is supposed when cases of real necessity are brought to their notice and convincing data is produced. More than £300 was paid over a period of three years to the invalid widow of a referee.

Few, if any, of the stars are insured by the clubs for League games. The rates are from five to eight times higher than the ordinary accident rates. The cost of insuring a goal-keeper is the same as that for any other player.

## ARE YOU A HEAD HUNTER?



### K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNEY

The complete draw in the Kowloon Cricket Club annual tennis tournament made last evening will appear in these columns in our final edition to-day. Good entries have been received for men's and ladies' singles championship, men's handicap doubles, ladies' handicap doubles, and mixed handicap doubles.

### BILLIARDS

## Junior Title Won After Keen Game

BY L. T. YUNG

L. T. Yung was crowned first official junior billiards champion of the Colony last night when he defeated A. Kitchell in the final at Club Lustigen by 500 points to 434. Yung owed his success to the collapse of Kitchell after that player had led for most of the game. At one stage, fairly early on Kitchell, had double the number of points to his opponent, but the margin was gradually narrowed and later on the lead changed hands several times with the players never far apart.

Kitchell reached his 300 with Yung still in the 230's, but the champion went in again with some useful breaks and assumed an advantage at 396, when he led by three points. The players then became 423-all after which Kitchell went to pieces, and Yung, thanks to consistency ran to his final points with Kitchell 66 in arrears.

The billiards was extremely good and a credit to both contestants. Kitchell's potting was brilliant, while Yung concentrated on in-off shots which yielded him the majority of his points.

Yung also had the satisfaction of chalking up the highest break of the match—49, and followed this with a nice 31. Kitchell's best efforts were 26 and 24. Both players were accorded a warm ovation at the conclusion.

### LAM WINS CONSOLATION

Lam Che-cha and M. M. da Silva played off for the third and fourth prizes in the senior championship last night, Lam winning a 750 match up by 272 points. Lam led throughout at one time the score board reading 302-165 in his favour and later 400-294.

Lam scored easily and consistently, twice recording breaks of more than 50, the chief breaks being 26 (twice) 30, 33, 23, 50, 28, 21 (twice), 22, 53, 48. Silva's best efforts were 22 (twice), 33, 60, 34.

### ENDS TO-NIGHT

The championship comes to an end to-night when A. J. Osmund and W. Hong Sling contest the senior final. This match promises to provide "fans" with some of the best billiards seen here for many years. Both men are in good form, and although Osmund is strongly favoured to win he has an opponent who will demand the very best of play from him. The match which is 1,000 points up will be played over two sessions, the first at 5.30 and the second at 9. Club Lustigen is again the venue.

Those who desire to watch to-night's game and have not yet secured a seat will be pleased to know that there are still about 100 unreserved seats left. The whole of the play can be well seen from these seats, which are priced at \$1.10.

After the match the prizes for the tournament will be presented to the winners by Mr. E. D. Da Rosa.

A Dinner Dance and Cabaret has been organised in an effort to add further to the funds of the Hongkong Benevolent Society. The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels and local artists have offered their support for the event, which will take place at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, March 27, from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

## Triangular Hockey Tournament

### CLUB DRAW WITH THE ARMY

Meeting for the first time this season in the Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Club and the Army drew, each side scoring one goal, at King's Park yesterday afternoon. The game was, on the whole, scrappy, with dashes of good hockey towards the close of play. The Club had the better of the exchanges and should have emerged winners.

The Club started with only nine men, but when the full complement arrived, L. Pracht, who had been playing a splendid game at right half back, moved into the inside left position where he did not perform so well. On occasions he drew the goal-keeper out of his citadel only to fumble the effort in the last minute.

In the early game the Army should have taken the lead but Robinson, right wing, missed a sitter. A raid on the Army goal saw Pracht do likewise. Eventually the Club scored through S. A. Fowler after Divett had tried hard. The Army equalised through Alf Din as the result of a short corner. There was no further scoring in the second half during which Howlett, the Army custodian, brought off several wonderful one-handed saves.

The constant drizzle rendered the ground slippery, and many players fell as a result.

The Club were best served by Reed in the pivotal position. Potter and Sommer did good work in the defence while Divett and Fowler were the pick of the forwards.

Outstanding for the Army were Khan Singh, Alf Din, Cox, Brown and Afzal.

Alf Din also did well on the left wing. Garthwaite, at inside-left, was completely off colour, while Messrs. C. C. French and G. T. Palmer were the referees.

The teams were as follows:

Club—H. F. Shields; J. E. Potter and G. Sommer; J. C. Cotherworth, W. A. Reed, J. R. A. Bates; D. Carey, S. A. Fowler, G. E. R. Divett, L. Pracht and D. Nooy.

Army—Spr. Howlett, Bds. Cox and Khan Singh; Spr. Brown, Lieut. J. P. Williams and Alf Din, Lieut. E. Robinson, Lieut. E. M. Dawson, Mohd Afkar, Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite and Lal Singh.

MATCH AGAINST NAVY

The following players have been selected to represent the Army in the Triangular Hockey Tournament matches against the Royal Navy at 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, on the Marina ground, and against the Hongkong Hockey Club at 4.30 p.m. on Monday, March 30, also on the Marina ground:

Sapper Howlett (R.E.); Bds. Cox (East Lancs.), L/N Khan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); Sapper Brown (R.E.); Lieut. J. P. Williams (East Lancs.); Nk. Alf Din (1/8 Punjab); Lieut. E. Robinson (East Lancs.); Mohd Afkar (1/8 Punjab); Lieut. E. M. Dawson (East Lancs.), L/N Lal Singh (1/8 Punjab).

Reserves—Dmr. Southam (East Lancs.), Sapper Quantrell (R.E.), C.Q.M.S. Kerr (R.U.R.), Khuda Bux (H.K.S.R.A.), and Pte. Nolan (East Lancs.).

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

In their match against Germany in the first round of the local International Tournament to be played at King's Park this afternoon, Scotland will play in colours.

### LOCAL YACHTING

## Lobo And Dorothea Win Sweepstake Races

The sweepstake races held yesterday for the "H" class and the "A," "B" and "G" classes, resulted in wins for Lieut. Col. Reid, in Dorothea, in the "H" class, and Miss L. C. Edwards, in Lobo, in the mixed classes event.

The course was Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Runway Shoal (N), mark on line (P), Chinaman Rock (S), Club line. Distance 8.3 miles.

### SPORT ADVTS.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 14th March, 1936, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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### Our Daily Golf Hint

Swing! Swing! There is no other secret of golf which really matters. For all the shots, short or long, the club must be kept moving freely and smoothly.

—Percy Alliss.

## Britain's Ice-Hockey Crown

### CAPTAIN DENIES ROUGH PLAY

London, Feb. 17. For the first time in the history of the Olympic Games one country alone—Great Britain—has won the triple crown in ice hockey—the European, World, and Olympic championship titles.

Speaking over the long-distance telephone from Garmisch last night Carl Erhardt, captain and 38-year-old "veteran" of the British team, told the *News Chronicle* about the great triumph:

"What a game it was last night!" he said. "For Britain had a pointless draw with U.S.A. on Saturday night."

"Even after playing overtime, it was a terrible struggle the whole time; we knew that if we won we were assured of one title at least, but we were out for the triple crown."

### WAS NOT PENALISED

I asked Carl Erhardt about the reported incidents of rough play during the match.

"Nonsense!" he answered. "The game was no rougher than many other ice-hockey games. Of course, we were all keyed up. We had not lost a match, and did not want to, but all this talk about free flights on the ice is quite untrue. It was just a hard fought-out game."

"The younger members of the team were a bit on edge possibly, but it affected their play, not their tempers."

I next asked Erhardt whether, as was reported, he had been penalised. "Good heavens, no!" he replied. "During the whole of these games I have never been penalised. In last night's game there were very few penalties."

### ELIOT HALL BEAT RECREO "A"

(Continued from Page 8.)

A. E. Xavier and H. A. Barros (Recruit); B. C. Lester and R. Fletcher (21-0); B. K. Wong and F. M. Rosa Pereira (21-0); lost to B. A. Gray and G. O. White (21-0).

A. Beltrao and J. Xavier (Recruit "B") beat B. C. Lester and R. Fletcher (21-17); lost to Wong and Rosa Pereira (21-17); lost to Gray and White (20-22).

A Basic and E. A. Alves (Recruit "B") beat Wong and Fletcher (16-21); lost to Wong and Rosa Pereira (21-10); beat Gray and White (21-21).

### ST. ANDREW'S "A" v. ELIOT HALL "B"

At the St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, the St. Andrew's "A" beat the Eliot Hall "B" by 8 games to 31—

P. E. Tan and W. M. Cheung (Eliot Hall) beat B. C. Lester and R. Fletcher (21-15); lost to B. K. Wong and F. M. Rosa Pereira (21-9); lost to E. F. Fletcher and H. K. Kew (21-11).

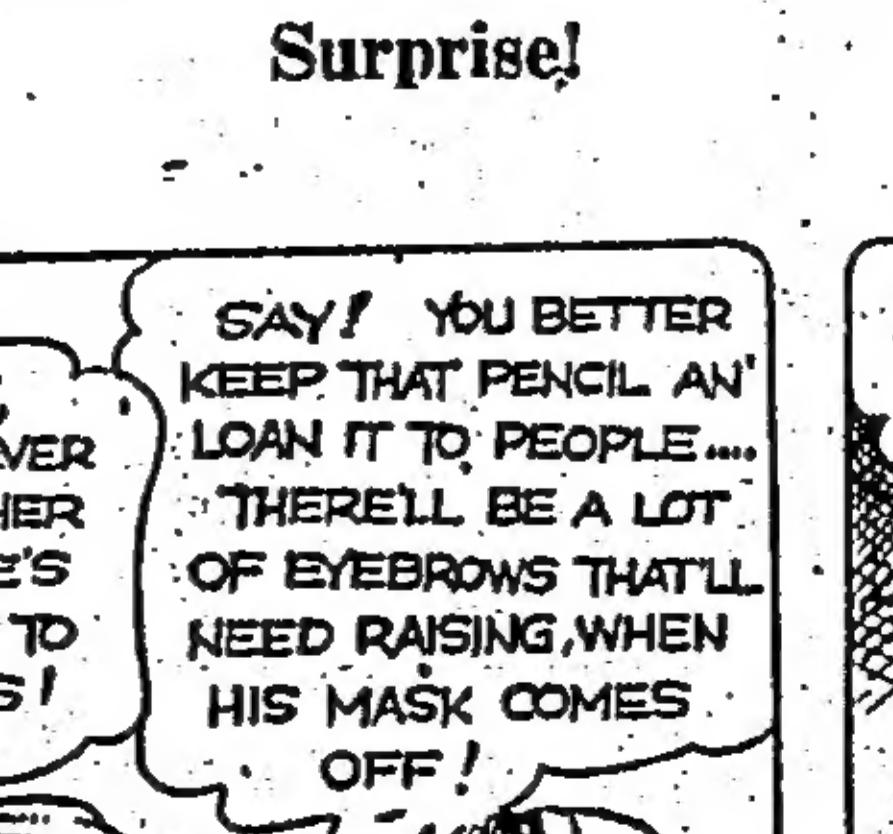
B. K. Wong and C. H. Ng (Eliot Hall) beat Well and Ilan (21-17); lost to Wong and Fletcher (20-24); lost to Wong and Rosa Pereira (21-10); beat Gray and White (21-21).

C. H. Soon and S. C. Teo (Eliot Hall "B") beat Well and Ilan (21-7); received w. o. from Wong and Wong; lost to Fletcher and Kew (17-21).

### LEAGUE TABLE

Eliot Hall "A"	14	14	0	100	8	28
C.R.C. ....	16	13	3	99	30	26
Recreo "A"	12	11	1	89	19	24
St. Andrew's "A"	15	11	4	84	60	22
Eliot Hall "B"	16	11	5	83	43	22
Recreo "B"	12	9	3	64	35	18
Fire Brigade .....	16	8	5	69	73	16
St. John's .....	15	7	2	69	78	14
V.R.C. ....	14	3	11	38	79	4
Kowloon Tong .....	17	2	15	30	97	4
St. Andrew's "B"	17	2	15	30	97	4
S. and S. Home 16	1	15	29	120	2	

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Steamer	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive	
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	April 0	April 0		
E/Britain	Mar. 25	Mar. 28		April 11	April 15	April 24	To San Francisco		
E/Canada	April 0	April 5		April 8	April 10	April 17			
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	May 4			
E/Japan	May 1	May 8	May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19			
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 1			
E/Canada	May 20	May 21		June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17		
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 29			
E/Japan	June 20	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14			
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 10	July 18	July 27			
E/Canada	July 24	July 26		July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12		
E/Russia	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15	Aug. 24			
E/Japan	Aug. 21	Aug. 23		Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 3	Sept. 8		
E/Asia	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 8	Sept. 10	Sept. 12	Sept. 21			
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After leaving Wellfleet, Kay Brannan obtains a position as advertising assistant. She enters on a mad whirl of gaiety, confiding to her roommate Genevieve, that she will never return to uneventful Carvel. She sees a great deal of Dan Ripley, who is not "the marrying kind." When her boss taxes her with neglecting her job she quits in a fury and goes to a yachting party with Dan. To escape his violent forewarning, she leaves in a passing boat, maimed by gorer.

sister being married to a dull Carvel and the thought of her kin, her story, how she hates Priscilla Hyde. Kay starts to tell him of her engagement to Dan, but he is horrified, for he is engaged to married. Sober again though, Bob drunkenly insists that they get Mating her back to Boston to Bob Dakin, a medical doctor.

### CHAPTER XV

After a moment Bob said, half irritated: "It doesn't make sense to me! What's wrong with Carvel, and you—grocers?"

She shook her head. "No man can understand," she admitted. "I don't really understand myself."

Bob Dakin's home was distinguished from its neighbours by only one circumstance. It had the same small yard in front, with a tulip tree which bloomed lavishly in spring, and a little gloomy on a murky day.

She turned to him. "I'm perfect."

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"Well, you're honest about it, anyway!"

"I told you last night how it was with me," she insisted. "And I told you that if you married me, I'd never let you go!"

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Stressing the absolute necessity of putting Sino-Japanese relations on a firm footing for the sake of peace and prosperity in East Asia, Mr. Hachiro Arita, new Japanese Minister to China, arrived in Shanghai last week aboard the Asama Maru. Picture above shows Madame Arita being aided down the gangway and Mr. Arita.



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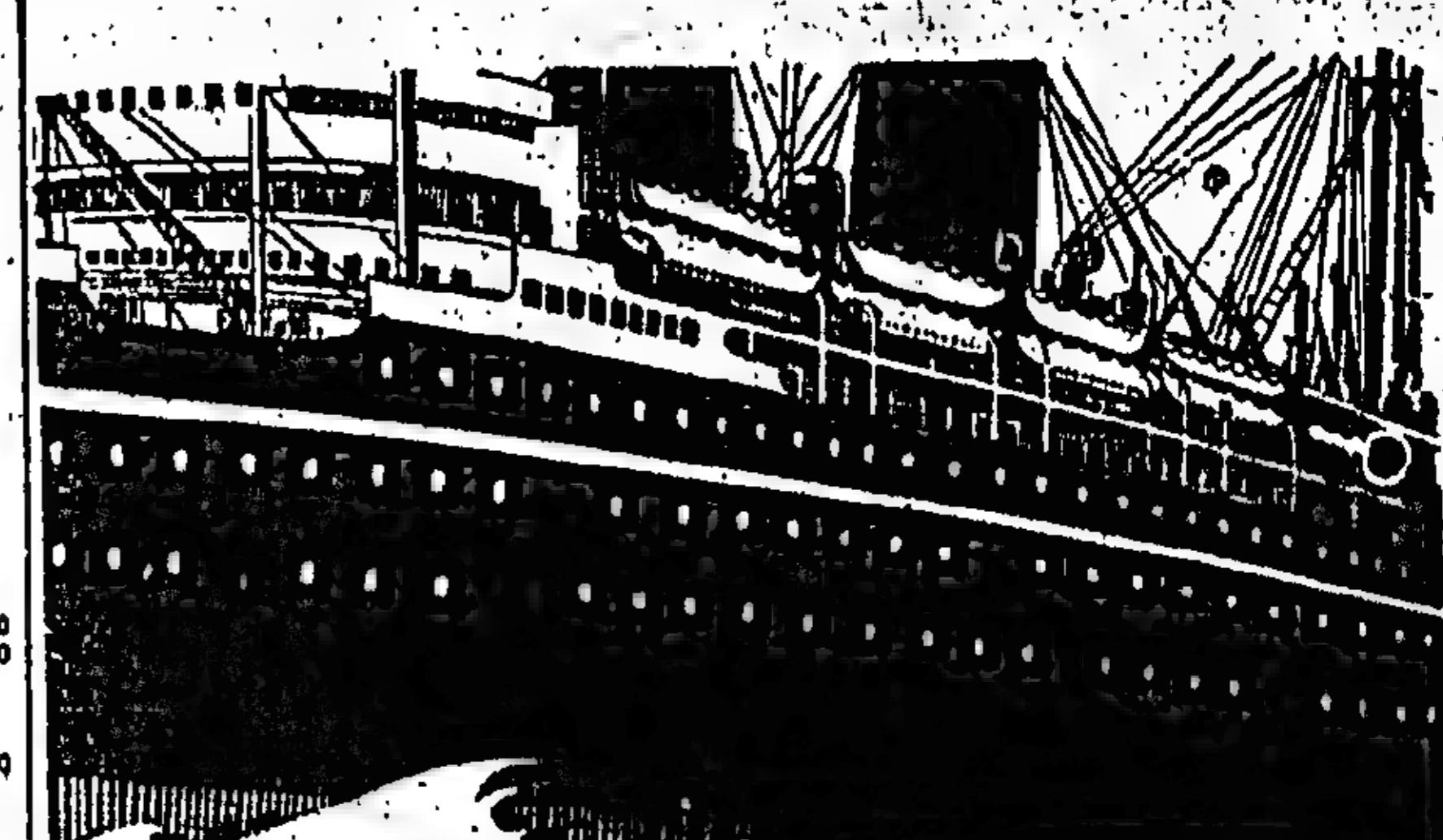
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### LOCOMOTIVES FOR CHINA RAILWAY

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London, Mar. 11. The Chinese Government Purchasing Commission held its annual meeting at the Chinese Embassy to-day, the Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, presiding.

The report paid a tribute to the late Sir Basil Blackett, described as "a cheerful, helpful and charming colleague."

It was stated in the report that contracts were placed with British firms last year amounting to £688,538, the total from the beginning of the Commission's operations in 1931 being £3,603,563. Administrative expenses in 1935 were .865 per cent. of the expenditure.

The Commission has ordered eight more most powerful locomotives of 190 tons each for the Canton-Hankow Railway, in addition to the sixteen already acquired. Attention is drawn to the extensive equipment for the National Central machine works, and also the equipment for the telephone service in nine provinces, now nearing completion.

Twenty-nine Chinese students were placed last year for practical training in British engineering and metallurgical firms. The Commission voted warm appreciation of Mr. C. C. Wang's able work.—Reuter.

### BRITISH CABINET CONFERS

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No further information was given in reply to questions in Parliament on the events of March 7, questioners being referred to Mr. Eden's statement on Monday. The removal to London of Locarno powers' conversations and the holding here of the League Council meeting is generally regarded as a step conducive to calm discussion of the delicate issues involved.—British Wireless.

### NAVAL POWERS AGREE

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ence tentatively agreed to-day that the life of the new treaty will be until 1942.—Reuter Special.

### BATTLESHIPS' AGES

London, Mar. 11. Battleships' ages were extended from twenty to twenty-six years and the new Naval Treaty will last until 1942, the First Committee of the Naval Conference decided to-day.

It is understood that European events have temporarily held up negotiations in respect to an Anglo-German qualitative treaty, but they will not delay the signature of the three-corner treaty between Britain, France and the United States.—Reuter.

### PROPOSALS APPROVED

London, Mar. 11. At its meeting this afternoon the First Committee of the London Naval Conference examined and approved, under reservation of the Italian delegation, the proposals on capital ships and the non-construction zone, and, subject to the preparation of satisfactory clauses, the reports of the Technical Sub-Committee on definitions and age limits of combatant vessels, and on qualitative limitation.

The First Committee, after discussion, decided that the task of preparing suitable safeguarding clauses be entrusted to the Drafting Committee, which should at the same time draw up the full text of the basis of the discussions and decisions of the meeting and of the technical reports already approved.—British Wireless.

### BEATTY'S FUNERAL

London, Mar. 11. The late Admiral Earl Beatty is to be buried in St. Paul's Cathedral on Monday.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

## GARY COOPER IN "LIGHT THAT FAILED" FILM



MISS JULIE HAYDON

GARY COOPER has just been chosen to play the part of the artist-war correspondent in Paramount's film of Kipling's "The Light that Failed."

The leading feminine part will be taken by Julie Haydon, unknown to Hollywood a year ago, who made a big success in "The Scoundrel," which starred Noel Coward.

## Big Claim For New Bullet

### THROUGH STEEL

Sydney, Mar. 3. HENRY W. HAYDON, 28-year-old motor mechanic, of North Dorrigo, claims to have invented a bullet which will penetrate steel-plate and other substances further than any other bullet yet made.

Haydon, who intends coming to Sydney next week to see Defence Department authorities, has already been in touch with the department, offering his invention. He will make further tests of his bullet and then place it before military experts.

In local tests, Haydon says, the bullet penetrated steel plate three-eighths of an inch thick, and he is confident that he has produced a bullet that is an advance on any nickel-jacketed bullet at present in use.

### "WON'T DEFLECT"

He says it would give twice the range of an ordinary bullet, and could be made for rifles or any calibre.

Haydon also claims for his bullet that, even if it strikes at an angle of 45 degrees, it will not glance off but will penetrate.

Haydon told *The Sun* representative that he has been working on his invention for about five years.

### EXCHANGE

### TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

## Foreign Criminals Smuggled By 'Master Mind'

METHODS used by foreign criminals to enter Great Britain illegally were exposed last month.

Master Mariners, meeting in conference at Southampton, demanded more coast watchers to stop the smuggling of aliens. It was stated that the reduction of the number of coast-guards had made smuggling of all kinds easy.

A case at the Old Bailey and a question in the House of Commons exposed the same racket.

When three men alleged to be members of an international gang of criminals were each sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude for conspiracy and obtaining money by false pretences, it was stated that there was "master brain," a man known by name to the police, who arranged for smuggling his criminal agents into this country.

Two of the sentenced men were stated to have been smuggled in by seamen and the third to have entered with a forged passport.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons about Max Kassel, the murdered white slave trafficker, Sir John Simon, Home Secretary, said it was believed Kassel entered the country with papers representing him to be a British subject.

## "QUEEN MARY" TO MOVE

### LEAVING CLYDE VERY SHORTLY

London, Mar. 11. Contrary to earlier anticipations, it is stated that one tide will be sufficient to take the new giant liner Queen Mary down the Clyde when she leaves her fitting-out station on March 24.

The builders of the liner have contributed £3,000 towards the cost of additional dredging which has made possible the liner's movements on one tide.—British Wireless.

### POTSDAM TRIP CANCELLED

### STUTTGART TO COME EAST

Berlin, Mar. 11. The passengers aboard the N.D.L. liner Potsdam, which had to turn back to Bremen owing to a slight fire and breakdown of engines, have been taken off by the U.S. Stuttgart, which will do the journey to the Far East instead of the Potsdam.

The breakdown occurred in the English Channel before passengers from England had been taken aboard. Reuter.

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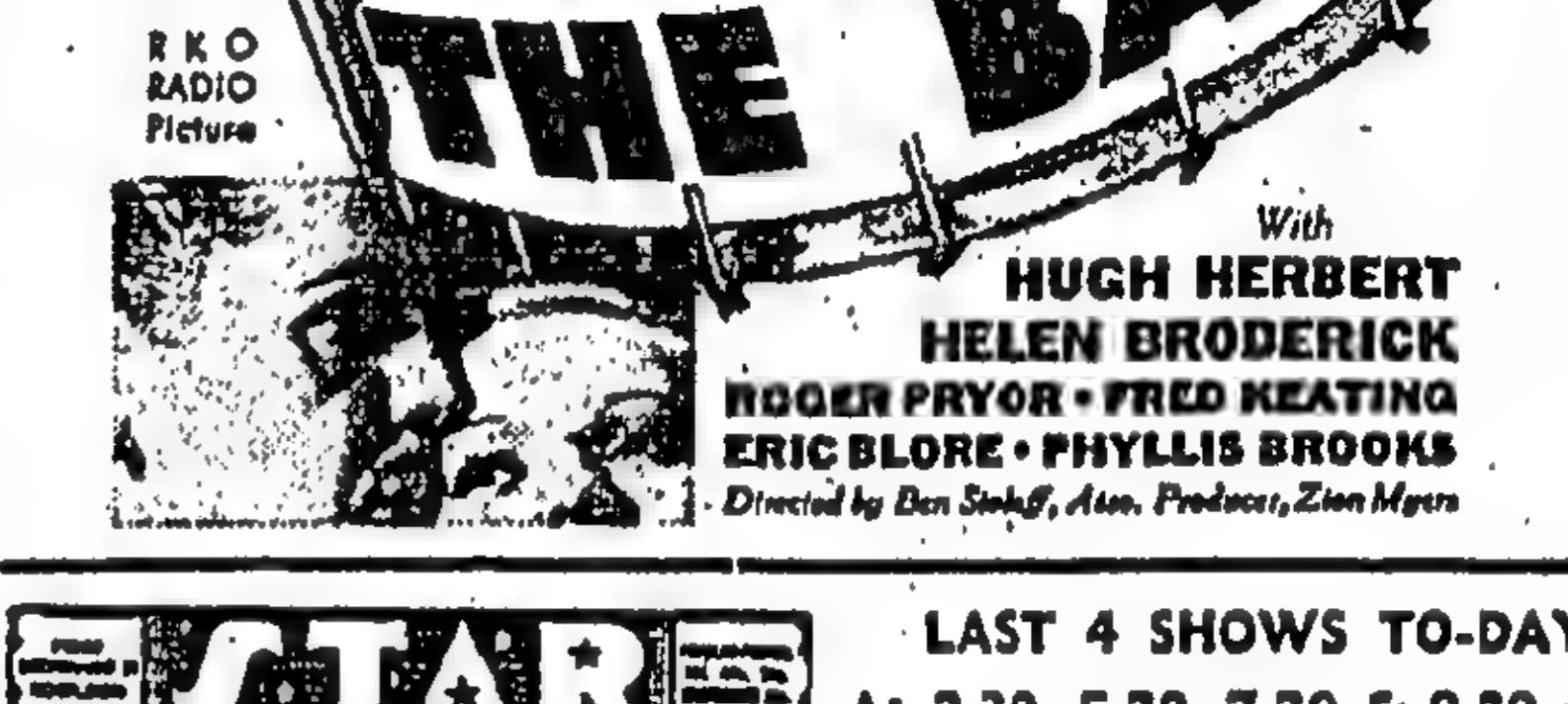
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## FRENCH PREPARING FOR ANY EVENTUALITY

London, March 11. The British Cabinet met to-night. It is learned that His Majesty's Government is determined to exact concessions from the German Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, possibly the promise of a three cornered pact between France, Belgium and Germany, pledging Germany not to fortify the Rhineland for twenty-five years, and with Britain and Italy guaranteeing the treaty.

Meanwhile, German sources have indicated that Herr Hitler has decided to reject requests to withdraw German troops from the Rhineland and to refuse to make any promise not to fortify that area.—United Press.

### FRANCE IS PREPARED

Paris, March 11.

Foreign reports regarding a general mobilisation in France have drawn a denial from the Ministry of War.

A communiqué issued by this department states that in view of the fact that Germany has sent an estimated force of 90,000 troops into the Rhineland adequate measures have been taken in France, consisting of the placing of all active forces on the frontier in a state of readiness for any eventuality.

The strengthening of the present military position could be effected by calling up the frontier reservists at short notice without recourse to mobilisation.

"But we are not yet in such a position and have confidence in the diplomatic parleys," says the communiqué.—Reuter.

### Military Strength

Paris, Mar. 11. The French War Ministry to-day announced that "all active frontier forces have been placed on an alarm footing."

However, the Ministry denied that general mobilisation was impending.

It said that 32,000 men were at present under arms with 600 men in addition available, exclusive of reserves.—United Press.

### Warning From Paris

Paris, Mar. 11. A communiqué issued by the French Government to-day is noteworthy for the fact that it categorically denies the press reports that the French Government would accept as a solution of the Rhineland dispute provoked by German action, that the number of troops of the Reich remaining in the demilitarised zone should be limited and that no fortifications should be built in that area.

It is understood that France would be prepared to leave the League of Nations, and several other powers have intimated that they will do the same, if collective security treaties prove ineffectual.

However, France will first exhaust all the possibilities offered by the Locarno Pact and the League Covenant to obtain satisfaction with regard to the Rhineland.—Reuter.

## BRITISH CABINET CONFERS

### WHILE DELEGATES HEAD FOR LONDON

### PLANNING FOR PARLEYS

London, March 11.

The Cabinet met this evening and heard reports from Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and Lord Halifax, Lord Privy Seal, who have just come from Paris.

They appear to have been prevented from making progress by the resoluteness of the French attitude.

It is understood no decision was reached and the Cabinet adjourned until to-morrow morning.—Reuter.

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ceeding for the holding of the meeting in London on Saturday of the Council of the League of Nations, called at the instance of the French and Belgians to consider the situation.

### Wants Assistance

London, Mar. 11. Staff bargaining is expected between the French and the British during the coming week.

It is reported from Paris that the General Staff insists on now British

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Princess Eugenie of Greece, daughter of Prince George of Greece and cousin of the Duchess of Kent, mentioned as a possible bride of King Edward VIII. She is 25 years of age and was a bridesmaid at the wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

His Majesty King Edward VIII, whose possible marriage is envisaged by the fact that he has asked Parliament to make provision for such a contingency.

## ENGLAND'S KING MAY MARRY

## BUT LABOURITE ASKS FOR GUARANTEE

London, Mar. 11. His Majesty the King informed the House of Commons that he may possibly wed, in a message asking for a renewal of the Civil List, which stated:

"His Majesty desires that the contingency of his marriage should be taken into account, so that, in that event, there should be provision for His Majesty, the Queen and members of His Majesty's family, corresponding to the provisions which the House of Commons has been willing to make in like circumstances in the past."

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented the message, after which Mr. Will Thorne, Labour M.P., enquired: "May I ask whether His Majesty has given any guarantee that he is going to marry?" This query was met with laughter. Mr. Chamberlain gave no reply thereto.

Speculation immediately arose regarding a possible bride for the King. It is said that the Greek Princess Eugenie, a cousin of Mariana, the Duchess of Kent, is the most probable choice.

The London Star gave the story a front-page position, the headline to which was only a huge bold question mark, sub-headed: "Her Majesty the Queen?"—United Press.

### OTHER REQUESTS

London, Mar. 11. During question-time in the House of Commons to-day, the Chancellor of the Exchequer read a message from His Majesty the King, placing immediately at the disposal of the House of Commons the hereditary revenues of the Crown, with a view to enabled provision for the Civil List.

Mr. Chamberlain added that the contingency that the King's marriage should be taken into account, so that, in such an event, there should be provision made for the Queen and members of his family, corresponding to the provisions made in the past.

The King also requested that suitable provision be made for the Duke of York as His Presumptive and, in certain events, for his family... His Majesty intimated his intention of providing for the Duke of York out of the revenues of the Duchy of Cornwall as long as these revenues are vested in the King.

Mr. Chamberlain announced that he would to-morrow move for the appointment of a Select Committee to consider the King's message.—Reuter Special.

### TO VISIT LONDON

Athenes, March 11. It is reported that Princess Eugenie, cousin of the Duchess of Kent, may visit London in the near future.—United Press.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:

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### TELEPHONE CO. MEETING

London, Mar. 11. That no material progress towards the establishment of direct communication with Shanghai and other cities had been made during the year was reported by Mr. J. H. Taggart, Chairman of the Board of Directors, of the annual meeting of the Hongkong Telephone Company, Ltd., held this morning.

"Progressive business interests recognise the very definite commercial value which personal touch, through the medium of the telephone, has in negotiations with contemporaries in distant cities. In the circumstances the contribution which a service of this nature would make to the prosperity of the Colony must be obvious to all, and the deplorable delay which has occurred in making this available to merchants in Hongkong cannot, in my opinion, too strongly be deprecated," remarked Mr. Taggart.

Those present at the meeting were the Hon. Sir Shun-sion Chow, Dr. R. H. Colwell, Messrs. A. L. Shieels, S. H. Dodwell, D. H. Blake, J. Scott Hasleton, M. T. Johnson (Directors), J. P. Sherry (Manager), W. L. McEwan (Secretary), A. W. Hughes, W. G. Clark, C. Hatt, D. Tolan, W. G. Griffin, Wong Min-hin, Wong Ping-sun, A. J. Walters, W. H. Choy, Frank Austin, Lo Kai-wing, A. Mc-Kellar, Chow Ping-un, and Chua Seng-choe (Shareholders).

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## OMINOUS ATTITUDE OF DIPLOMATISTS

## ALLIED POWERS GRIMLY DEFEND LOCARNO

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Geneva, March 11.

A stern struggle is certain to occur in London between the French group of powers, bent on inflicting a severe diplomatic defeat on Herr Adolf Hitler, and the rest of the League Council members who may be disposed to negotiate as long as no act of war is committed against France or Belgium.

It is regarded as ominous that the French and their allies are deliberately burning their diplomatic boats behind them by stipulating in advance that the Germans shall not be allowed to remain in the Rhineland.—Reuter Special.

### DETERMINED POLICY

Geneva, March 11. The representatives of the Little Entente spent to-day drawing up the general lines of the policy they will pursue at the forthcoming London conference concerning the Rhineland crisis.

The Rumanian and Turkish representatives and the representatives of the Little and Balkan Entente are proceeding to London with very definite instructions, and to press for energetic League of Nations action against Germany.

Both Ententes will insist that if the Locarno Treaty is scrapped it must be replaced with something equally good.—Reuter.

### Belgium Is Firm

Brussels, March 11. M. Paul van Zeeland, the Prime Minister, addressing the Chamber of Deputies to-day upon the German action in the Rhineland, declared that the pretext, based on the Franco-Soviet Pact and invoked by the German memorandum, in no way concerned.

There were no political engagements or military obligations between France and Belgium. It made one feel profoundly sad that Germany's gesture had ruined for generations the belief of those who held that international organisation could not be based on brute force.

"We are convinced we shall emerge from our difficulties if all the Locarno Treaty signatories remain united and determined to act together," said the Prime Minister. "But otherwise," he warned, "the consequences are to be feared by the whole world."

"Belgium is ready to play her part in any collective action, especially with France and Britain. Meanwhile, Belgium stands by the Locarno agreement until it is replaced."

M. van Zeeland enjoined calmness, common sense and cool resolution in order to spare their children the horrors the war-time generation had to bear.—Reuter.

### Baldwin To Preside

London, Mar. 11. It is understood that Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, may preside at the fateful meeting of the Locarno Powers at the Foreign Office to-morrow. It will probably commence at 4 p.m.

If Mr. Baldwin attends he will be the only one present who actually signed the Locarno Treaty.—Reuter.

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The postal rates will be announced within the next few days.

Mr. M. H. Curtis, of the Imperial Airways, arrived in Hongkong on Tuesday in connection with the inauguration of the service.

Red Army Routed

HEAVY CASUALTIES IN LONG BATTLE

Peking, Mar. 12.

Tieluanfu despatches report a great victory for Government troops over the Red invaders about 25 miles south-west of Fenchow.

The despatches quote an official communiqué as saying 20,000 Reds launched an attack on the First and Second Shansi Divisions, throwing their main forces into an enveloping movement around the Second Division.

Fierce fighting lasted all Tuesday and it is claimed the Reds lost 3,000 dead and wounded on the field. The Shansi forces lost 500 killed and wounded.

The attacking columns eventually broke and retreated westward.

Red Army Agreed

Peking, Mar. 12.

An agreement has been reached between the Peking Railway and the South Manchuria Railway providing for through goods traffic between North China and Manchuria, and will become operative on May 1.—Reuter.

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#### SHOT DEAD AND ROBBED

New York, Mar. 1.—A well-known author and adventurer, whose stories are popular with readers of British magazines, has been murdered by a boy of 16 in a lonely mountain cabin.

Mr. Carl Taylor, aged 30, crept to a hilltop "temple" in New Mexico two nights ago to obtain information about secret rites of the "Brothers of the Blood of Christ," an Indian sect of self-torturers.

As he was at a desk writing an account of the weird ceremony of flagellation which he had seen in this "forbidden" territory, he was shot.

#### AT FIRST BELIEVED

Soon afterwards Modesto Trujillo, a 16-year-old Spaniard living near the cabin, burst breathlessly into the home of the Justice of the Peace, Faustin Chavez, and declared he had seen two men, their faces hidden with rags, enter the cabin and kill Mr. Taylor with rifles.

Under the order of questioning by the police, which lasted all night, the boy broke down this morning and confessed that he had murdered Mr. Taylor to rob him.

The ritual of flagellation practised by the "Brothers of the Blood of Christ" is said to be based on an Indian conception of the doctrine of penance preached by early missionaries.

Mr. Taylor was to have been a guest to-night of the annual Arts Ball of the New Mexico Art League. A seat in Box 13 had been reserved for him.



Charlie Chaplin, as he was when he visited Hongkong with his brother Syd, two years ago. Photograph shows Chaplin, surrounded by pressmen, vastly amused at a reference to himself in one of the local papers. He arrived here again this morning by the Dollar liner President Coolidge.

## SECRET INQUESTS WOULD SIMPLIFY MURDERS

Former Coroner Says

If newspapers are no longer allowed to report inquest evidence in suicide cases, as the Home Secretary's committee of inquiry into the powers of coroners recommends, murder will be made several degrees safer in Britain.

This opinion was expressed by Mr. R. H. Oswald, who was a London coroner for more than a quarter of a century. He retired in 1930.

"Whatever the committee's findings," he said, "I am convinced that there are cases where evidence at inquests on people believed to have committed suicide should not be suppressed."

"I remember a particular inquest many years ago. Everything pointed to the dead man having taken his own life."

"Certain people read the newspaper reports of the inquest evidence. They made certain statements."

"What appeared to be a straightforward case of suicide became at once more complex. It was established that the man had been murdered."

"If newspapers had been forbidden to publish a report of this inquest, a murderer would have gone undetected."

The classic example of a murderer being detected through newspaper reports of an inquest was that of George Smith, the "Brides in the Bath" murderer.

**LANDLADY'S CLUE**  
Verdicts of "Accidental death" verdicts of "Suicide" and "Homicide" had already been returned on two of Smith's victims.

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"In the past we have had the advantage of knowing officially whether the person was of right mind or insane at the time of suicide."

"If we were to lose that guidance, we should have to consider revising the terms and altering the clauses of life and even endowment policies."

Representatives from the leading companies were invited to give their views before the committee.

"This invitation was not accepted," another London insurance authority said. "But now that the recommendations have been published, many of the company chiefs are wondering how far insurance business will be affected."

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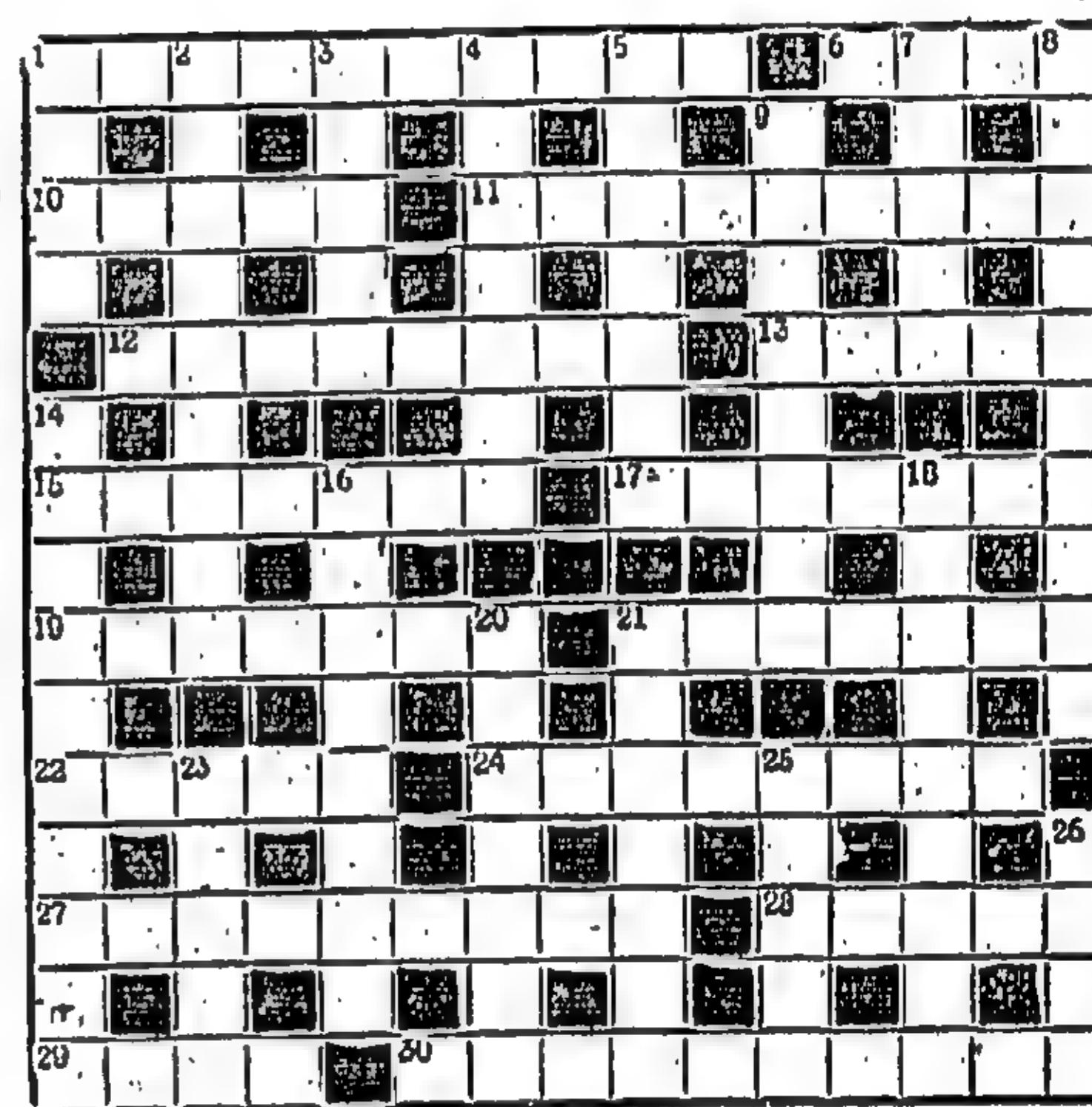
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- 6 Part of the etcher's outfit.
- 10 Plunges like one with money to burn.
- 11 One can hardly say this officer does not count!
- 12 This tendency is considered quite desirable in Eastern eyes.
- 13 The opposite of 22 across.
- 15 Might be tried to exercise a devil of a temper; but a scandalous proceeding nevertheless.
- 16 Points to be noted by Chunnel pilots.
- 17 Part of a machine.
- 18 This Italian is heavy-hearted in one of his own rivers.
- 21 Anything would be known if this stood.
- 22 A scaremonger.
- 23 "Vetoed em" (anag.).
- 24 A tired step?
- 25 A common chemical:

- 26 We find coppers hunt from this Lincolnshire town.
- 27 Letter in this is Greek to the uninhabited.
- 28 A literary effort.
- 29 German town.
- 30 This has the turn of the screw.
- 31 Not a cog can be fitted to this shape.
- 32 An African town that suggests an inflated company.
- 33 A red herring, one might say.
- 34 This question is still a burning one in spite of international conferences.
- 35 The author never lived to see this publication.
- 36 No, this title does not date back to the time when our ancestors lived in trees.
- 37 One might describe a pike thus (two words).
- 38 It never made a gift, but is always prepared to give.
- 39 Include the end of this fairy tale character.
- 40 Fear.
- 41 A hot-headed incendiary.
- 42 Not the instrument for sums, in spite of the sound.

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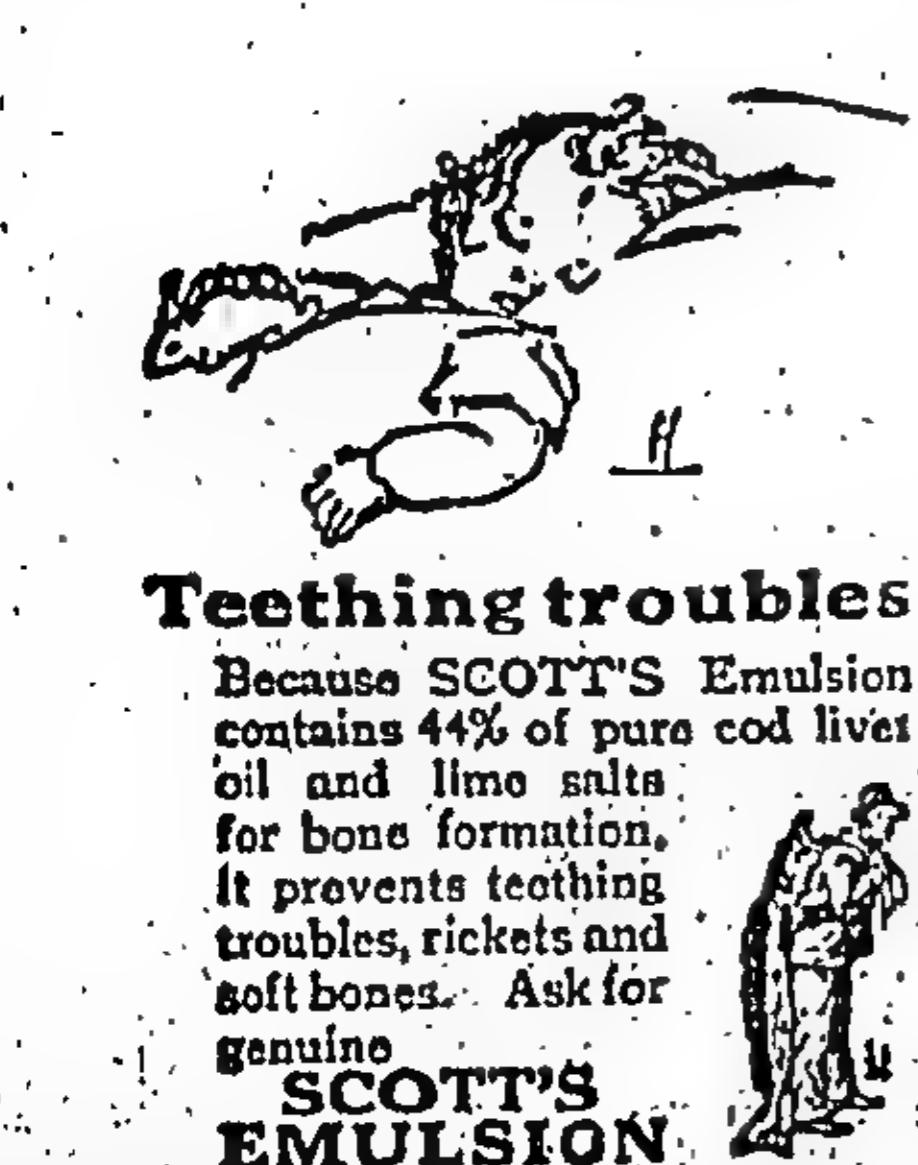


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# THE MAN WHO WON THE GREAT WAR

## Amazing Story of British Officer's Trick

### Girl-Bride In Barn: Accused Man Acquitted

A REMARKABLE case which followed a beautiful girl's visit to a dance hall was stopped by Flintshire Assizes jury.

They found Arthur Dunn, aged nineteen, a car-park attendant, of Halkyn, near Holywell, North Wales, not guilty of a serious offence against the girl, Mrs. Elizabeth Jones. He was discharged.

The girl is a daughter of a retired Army major. She was a finalist in a "Miss Seaside" beauty competition at Rhyl last summer.

At the time of the alleged offence she was Mrs. Baines. She was married on the morning of the police court hearing of the case to Mr. Frank Jones, a witness, who is an estate agent at Rhyl. They went straight from the wedding ceremony to the police court.

Cin. Vermouth, Sherry

Mr. Goodman Roberts, prosecuting, said on New Year's Eve the girl went with Mr. Jones, then her fiance, to a Rhyl hotel.

She had a good deal of drink. Subsequently they went to a Halkyn dance hall, taking half a dozen bottles of beer.

At the dance hall Miss Baines had a good deal to drink, including gin, vermouth and sherry.

Still she went on drinking. At two in the morning she was seen by a police officer with Mr. Jones. She was walking unsteadily, and was extremely drunk.

Mr. Jones put her in his car, covered her up with rug, and then went back to the dance hall. Mr. Jones would say that all she remembered was that after being ill she woke up in a strange barn with a man she did not know. She was devoid of all her clothing.

Shortly before 3:30 a.m. Dunn arrived at the dance hall. His lips were stained. He said to a police officer: "There is a chap who has lost his wife. I have been with a woman in the car. Don't say anything."

Mrs. Jones, who wore a grey squirrel coat, then went into the box. She said she was aged eighteen.

"Tried To Scream"

She said she did not remember anything from the time she was taken to the car until she came to her senses in the barn "with nothing whatever on."

Mrs. Jones said she tried to scream in the barn, but Dunn put his hand over her mouth.

She was pressed to state what she was accused of, but she sobbed and cried, "I can't possibly tell you all that he said."

Eventually she wrote something down, and a slip of paper was passed to the judge to be jury.

Mr. J. I. Elsden (cross-examining): May I take it that you had not intended to limit your attention to your fiance that night?

Mrs. Jones: I might dance with other people.

Continuing his questioning Mr. Elsden said, "I suggest that your story is quite untrue."

"It is not untrue," cried Mrs. Jones striking the ledge of the witness box with her hand.

"No Right To Do So"

Mr. Elsden: I put it to you that he offered to take you for a run in the car as you wanted to get fresh air.

"He had no right to do so," cried Mrs. Jones, wiping the tears from her face. "He was only a car park attendant."

She said that she did not remember getting into a car with Dunn and using endearing terms to him.

Mr. Elsden: Did you also say that this man had been kissing you ardently during the evening? — I do not remember.

I put it to you that far from crying out yourself said you would meet him the next evening? — said I would meet him so he would let me go.

She added that she did not remember giving Dunn a brooch so as to make sure he would meet her the next evening. She had received her brooch through Dunn's mother.

She declared that in one of her statements, when she said that she must have consented, she did so because she was told that if she did the case would be suppressed.

Mrs. Jones said it was some one who had told her mother that it would be suppressed if she said she had given her consent.

"Faulty Recollection"

The Judge asked Mr. Goodman

### FOR THE SWEET BYE AND BYE



EASTER is still a month ahead, but eggs are ready. Here are some ready for despatch from a factory near Bristol.

### Earl Jellicoe Leaves £13,370

### DIRECTIONS FOR BIOGRAPHY

ADMIRAL of the Fleet Earl Jellicoe, whose will was proved at Somerset House, last month, left £13,370 (net personalty £4,992).

He directed the trustees of the deed of trust relating to his historical documents, MSS., &c., to permit Admiral Sir Reginald Bacon to have access thereto for the purpose of writing his biography.

His Naval books and books in connection with the Great War to his son.

His decorations, swords of honour, other articles presented to him in recognition of his services during the European War, the gold watch, silver cigar box, and silver cigarette case presented to him by the late King, his flag flown at the Battle of Jutland, and other articles—his heirlooms to follow the title.

£100 to Mrs. Lavender, wife of Mr. Lavender, signal boatswain in the Royal Navy, who was serving in H.M.S. Shannon during 1917 "in memory of her kind care of my son during several years".

One year's wages to each domestic servant of five years' service and not under notice.

£200 to Alex MacIntosh, Secretary to Messrs. Caxier, Irvine & Co.

The residue of the property goes to his wife for life, with remainder to his son, Lord Jellicoe, adding that he had already made provision for his daughters.

### FREE MUSIC FOR THIS PRISON

Graz, Austria, Feb. 29. The local jail in the village of Fibiswald, near here, is assured of free music for some time to come.

Informed that a so-called friendly association dance was really a secret Nazi gathering, the police cleaned up the ball-room, transporting the band as well as the dancing couple to jail.

The revellers are being held pending investigation into their alleged Nazi activities.

Roberts if it was wise to proceed with the case.

Mr. Goodman Roberts consulted with the chief constable, and then announced that he thought that it would be a dangerous position to put the accused in jeopardy on evidence which was, at any rate a faulty recollection.

The judge said he thought the prosecution were acting rightly.

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### Amazing

### DRAMATIC CALL TO FLEET

### AND A DARING RUSE THAT STOPPED GERMANS

AN astonishing story of how a British officer was responsible for winning the Great War by an astute trick which resulted in almost certain victory being snatched from the Germans was revealed in London last month.

The incident took place on the final days of the first battle of Flanders, October 29, 1914, when the enemy were on the point of routing the Allied forces completely and seizing Paris.

The Germans had attacked France from three directions, through the Vosges, along the Marne, and through Belgium.

The Belgian Army, retreating day by day, exhausted and beaten, were no longer able to withstand the decisive attack which they knew would come at dawn on October 29.

Then a British officer, Captain Roger Bradman, who was in command of a British destroyer on North Sea patrol work, put into operation a daring scheme.

He landed on the sand dunes near Newport and arranged for 180 Belgian soldiers to wear Scottish uniforms which his vessel had been carrying for the 1st Cameron Highlanders.

Ambulances and ammunition trucks were rushed up close to the shore, and by torchlight the crates containing the uniforms were transferred from the destroyer and ferried to the land.

The Belgian soldiers then broke up the crates with bayonets and assembled the uniforms in orderly piles.

An amazing scene then took place. By the flickering light of a fire 100 men donned the kilts and khaki tunics. An hour before dawn the task was finished and the disguised Belgians were ready.

The last kilted figure disappeared into the dunes and the destroyer put out to sea.

The events which led up to the landing of the uniforms and machine-guns are described by Buckner as follows:

At a meeting of high staff officers of the Belgian Army, called by King Albert, it was decided to send a small body of picked men to the sand dunes to overcome the German sentries there, and signal out to sea in the hope that a section of the British Fleet would give assistance either by landing men or by bombarding the German lines.

**Battle In Swamp**

The signals were seen by the destroyer and Bradman landed with a dozen men.

Bradman thereupon decided to take a chance and turn the Scottish uniforms and machine guns over to the Belgians.

Shortly after he had returned to the destroyer the Germans began their attack. The Yser, swollen by heavy rainfall had converted the Flanders plain into a veritable swamp.

By late afternoon the swamp was almost choked with German bodies and thousands of enemy soldiers were drowned in the river.

Just before nightfall the Belgians opened the lower dykes of the Yser. The battle was over.

From that hour until the end of the war the Germans never advanced a foot farther through Flanders.

### Rare Caves Found In Tasmania

A subterranean cavern of surpassing beauty has been found in a Tasmanian forest.

An axman selling a tree was mystified at the complete disappearance of a limb, as though the earth had swallowed it. Cutting his way through thick bush and undergrowth he came across a yawning cavity into which the limb had disappeared. Following the track of the limb he groped his way about with matches until he found himself inside the cavern.

In large subterranean chambers he discovered fantastic limestone formations in rich colours. There are stalactites, varying from a few inches to 50 feet in length, stretching from a weird ceiling;

stalagmites reaching upward in majestic splendour, miniature rivers and lifelike figures.

One limestone column is 50 feet high and 7 feet 6 inches in girth. Artificial light shows myriads of dazzling stalactites of various hues, length and shape. One of the subterranean passages is 500 yards long.

There are chambers 70 feet to 80 feet wide and of similar height.

Fossilized remains of Tasmania's marsupial wolf, now almost extinct, were found.

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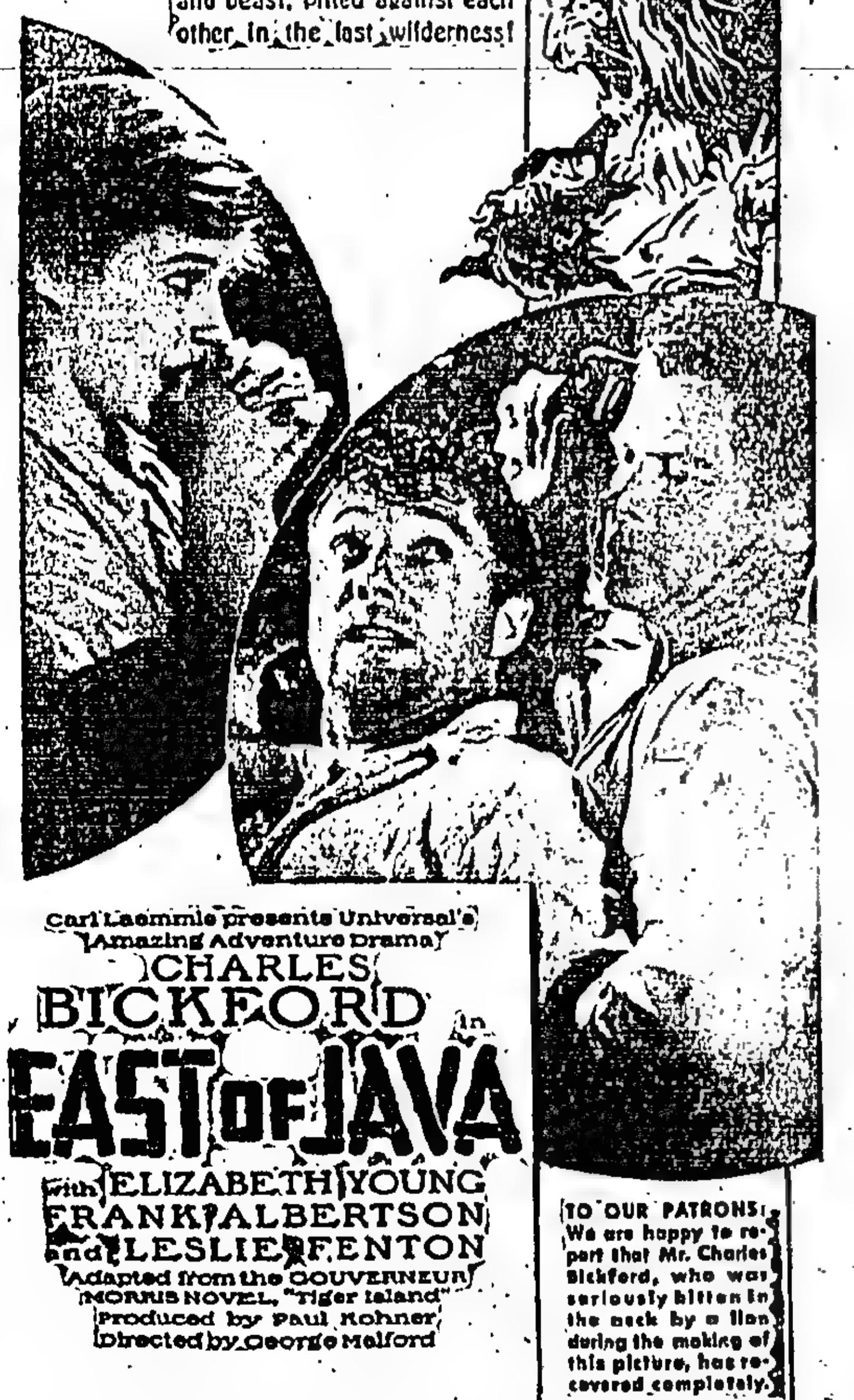
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**TAMPERED WITH CARRIAGE****CHINESE ARRESTED IN RAILWAY STATION**

Tsang Sun, 24, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with trespassing at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station yesterday and was remanded for 24 hours in police custody.

Two further charges of wilfully damaging a railway carriage and possessing a gimlet and a screwdriver fit for an unlawful purpose, were preferred against the accused.

Detective-Sergeant Riddell appeared for the prosecution and stated that defendant was seen interfering with a third class carriage about 11.10 p.m. yesterday at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station. He was arrested and searched and the screwdriver was found in his possession. Defendant had removed the sills from the window and was trying to stuff some silk down the window.

**GOVERNOR'S LEAVE POSTPONED****NOT GOING HOME THIS YEAR**

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Andrew Caldecott), who had intended to proceed on Home leave in June, has cancelled the arrangements therefor, in consequence of the change in the Colonial Secretarieship, caused by the appointment of Sir Thomas Southorn as Governor of Gambia.

His Excellency will probably not take his leave until early next year, in consequence. Lady Caldecott, who is at present in England, will rejoin Sir Andrew in Hongkong in the near future, but the date of her departure from Home is not yet definitely known.

**RHINE DEADLOCK TIGHTENS**

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guarantees of assistance in the event of a German invasion of France. France also desires the closest co-operation between the British and French General Staffs in any emergency.—United Press.

**Dutch Precautions**

The Hague, Mar. 11. The Prime Minister, Dr. H. Colijn, in a broadcast address to-night, announced that the Government had decided to keep in service until further notice the conscripts of the infantry and cyclists regiments who would shortly be due for furlough.—Reuters.

Later. Dr. Colijn's announcement merely means that 4,000 infantry will remain in barracks pending the calling up of new conscripts at the end of March.

The Prime Minister deprecated the attaching of any undue importance to this move.—Reuters.

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— OPENS TO-DAY —

**ALHAMBRA****BRITISH TRADE ADVANCE****RETAIL SALES ON UP GRADE**

London, March 11. The total value of retail trade-sales reported for the year ended January, 1936, exceeded £280 million, compared with rather less than £270 million for the previous twelve months.

Sales have shown a marked upward tendency during the past three years and the increase of 0.6 per cent. last year over its predecessor affected each of two main divisions of merchandise and was shared by all five areas. Employment in the retail trade averaged nearly three per cent. higher last year, following a steady improvement of some three per cent. throughout 1934-35.

It was stated in the report that contracts were placed with British firms last year amounting to £688,538, the total from the beginning of the Commission's operations in 1931 being £3,603,663. Administrative expenses in 1935 were .905 per cent. of the expenditure.

The Commission has ordered eight more most powerful locomotives of 100 tons each for the Canton-Hankow Railway. In addition to the sixteen already acquired, attention is drawn to the extensive equipment for the National Central machine works, and also the equipment for the telephone service in nine provinces, now nearing completion.

Twenty-nine Chinese students were placed last year for practical training in British engineering and metallurgical firms. The Commission voted warm appreciation of Mr. C. C. Wong's able work.—Reuters.

**Canton Shares Mail Service****TO OPERATE PLANES TO HANOI**

Shanghai, Mar. 12. Chinese press reports from the South state that authority to operate an air mail service between China and Hanoi has been given to the South-west Aviation Corporation.

Arrangements are being completed, it is said, by Mr. Yang Teh-chao, the personal representative of General Chau Chai-tong.—Reuters.

**"JAPSIE" RETURNING**

Cristoph, Mar. 11. "Japsie" Condon, New York ward leader and a witness for the prosecution against Bruno Hauptmann, convicted of the Lindbergh baby's murder, sailed for home to-day, though two weeks ago he refused to listen to Governor Hoffman's appeal to come back and answer questions respecting alleged discrepancies in evidence.—United Press.

London, Mar. 11. Contrary to earlier anticipations, it is stated that one liner will be sufficient to take the new giant liner, Queen Mary, down the Clyde when she leaves her fitting-out station on March 24.

The builders of the liner have contributed £3,000 towards the cost of additional dredging which has made possible the liner's movements on one tide.—British Wireless.

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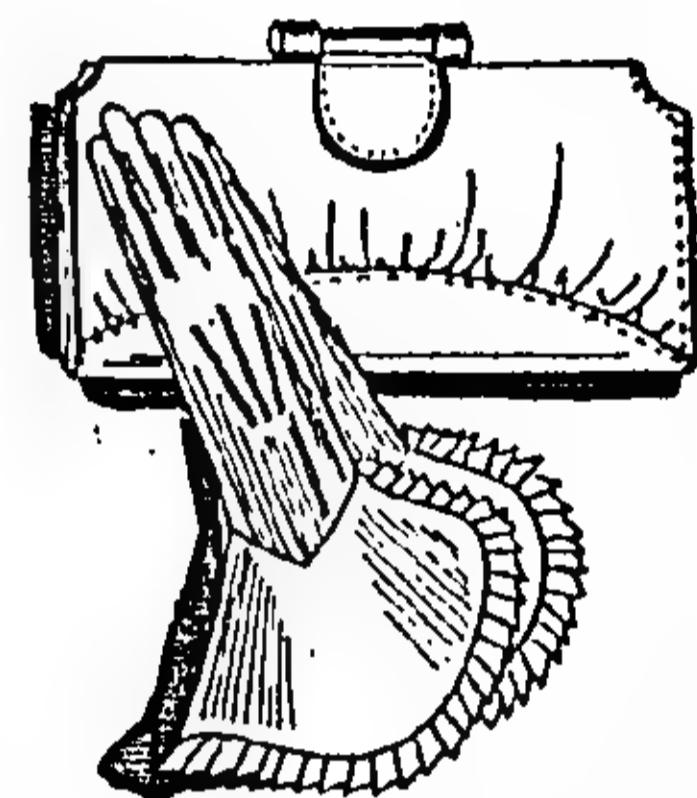
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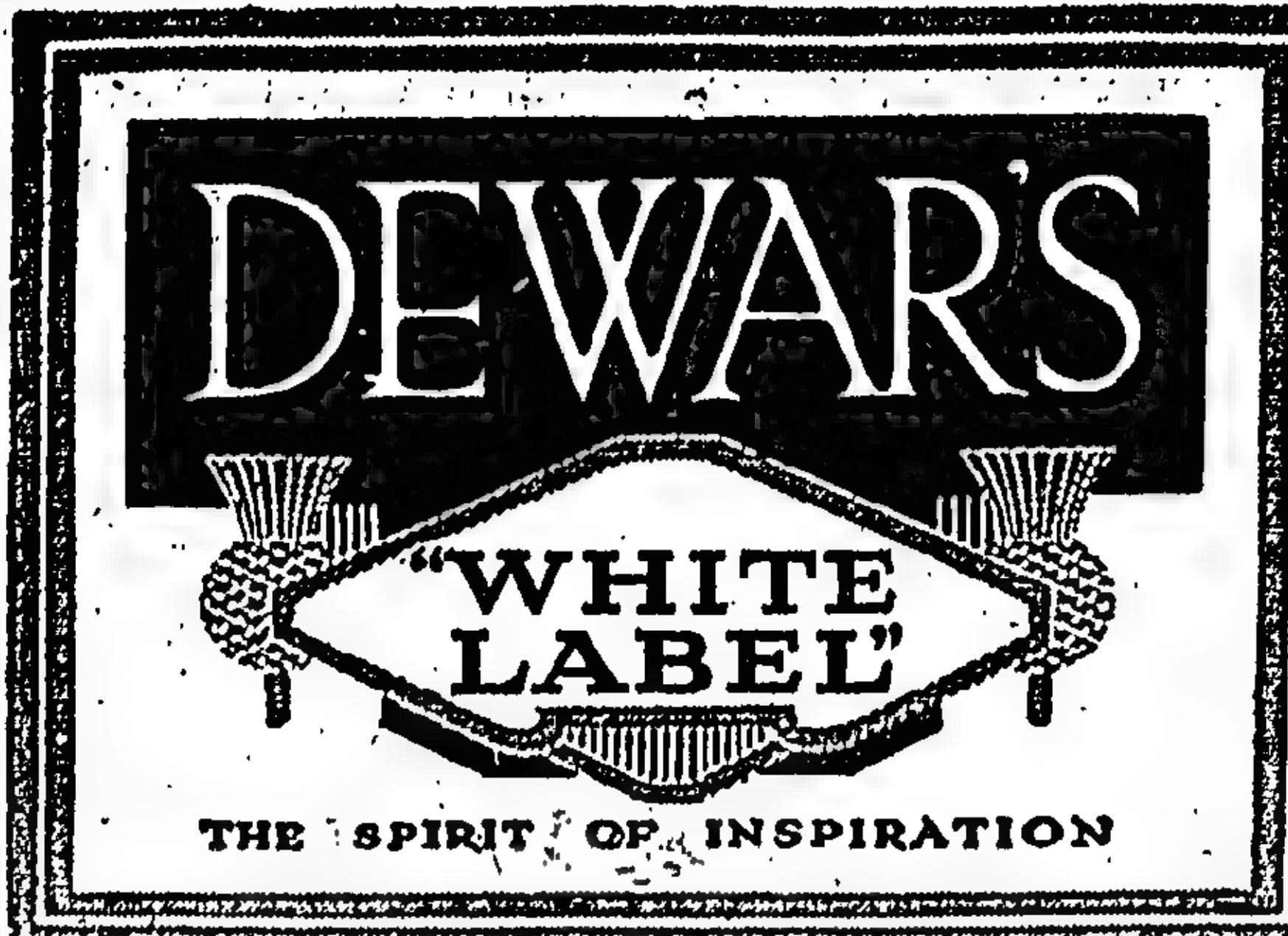
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Mr. J. S. Smith takes this opportunity of thanking the many friends for all the expressions of sympathy; the floral tributes and those who were present at the funeral of his dear wife.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, MAR. 12, 1936.

### FOR THE CHILDREN

Both the need for and the appreciation of the functions discharged by the Children's Playground Association are well illustrated in the annual report of that organisation, just issued. It is shown that the annual attendance at the playing-grounds maintained by the Association reaches a figure of well over seven hundred thousand, and that on the Hongkong side the most popular area, the Southern Playground, draws an average daily attendance of five hundred children, whilst the biggest ground in Kowloon provides facilities for an average of three hundred and fifty. A moment's reflection will serve to give some impression of what this means to youngsters who, but for the existence of the Association, would have nowhere but the streets—in which to play. Thanks to the facilities provided, happiness and healthy exercise are brought to these children, and they are enabled to enjoy themselves without the ever-constant danger from traffic which is encountered in the streets. There is the further factor, of which sight should not be lost, that children who are provided with outdoor sports privileges are less likely to get into mischief during the time they have on their hands, whilst the physical benefits which they secure must in the long run make them fitter and better citizens. From all aspects, the work which the Association is doing is to be warmly commended. But what has so far been achieved is only a tithe of what is needed in this Colony. There should be dotted about, on both sides of the harbour, dozens of playing-grounds, catering especially to children who live in unsavoury and overcrowded localities. Such "lungs" are an absolute necessity in the interests of public health. But all these things require funds, in which connection we should like to underline the appeal of the Association for further financial support. It is disclosed that the funds secured during the past year came from sixteen clubs and associations, with only eight subscriptions from individual donors. As the Committee remarks, it is difficult to believe that only eight individuals in the Colony consider the Association worthy of financial support. The greater the measure of monetary help given, the wider will be the scope of the Association's activities. Perhaps a reminder of the health and happiness which the Association is bringing into the lives of the poor children of the Colony will induce a greater measure of public assistance than is at present forthcoming.

Besides, the colonies themselves should have something to say about it. We cannot imagine a plebiscite in Hongkong giving this colony to anyone but Britain. Besides, we have no very great natural resources except our climate. But perhaps there is a measure of comfort for the reformers in the thought that mandated territories may be jiggled about for the good of the whole world. Now that we have a League of Nations, which already holds a mandate over some areas, why not place all mandated territories under its supervision? When others signify their willingness to surrender the right of mandate we are pretty certain Britain will agree to abandon hers. Unfortunately, however, we are not the only people who like the sound of the slogan: "What we have, we hold."

Class distinctions mattered comparatively little when the assistant of to-day was so often the employer of to-morrow, and the majority of professional men had paid for their university training with the work of their hands.

Even poverty wore a different face. In America, it was not the bitter, grinding destitution Charlie had encountered in London.

In many cases it was a poverty deliberately chosen, rather than imposed from without.

Every cinema-goer is familiar with the Chaplin tramps, but how many of them have reflected how characteristically American are these homeless wanderers.

# The Man Who Made The Whole World Richer Is Here

Jackie Coogan  
with Charlie  
Chaplin in  
"The Kid," one  
of Chaplin's  
greatest successes.



IN a room in St. Thomas's Hospital, London, a man lay dying. He had had a good life—a full life.

He had been a favourite in the music-halls. He had tasted the triumphs of the stage.

He had won a measure of fame as a singer. His home life had been happy. And now death had come for him.

While he was yet in the prime of manhood, with success still sweet in his mouth, the curtain was falling—and for ever. The other windows of the house were dark. In this one alone a light burned. And below it, outside in the darkness, shivering with cold and numbed with fear, a child stood sobbing.

He had been told that there was no hope, but his wild heart prayed for the miracle that could not happen, even while he waited for the light to go out and the compassionate hesitations that would tell him that his father was no more.

The dying man and the child outside the window both bore the same name—Charles Chaplin.

Destiny shifts us here and there upon the chessboard of life, and we know not the purpose behind the moves.

His father's death brought a safe, comfortable world crashing about Charlie Chaplin's head, and plunged his mother, his brother, and himself into poverty.

But poverty is not a life sentence. It is a challenge.

### NOTES OF THE DAY

#### KEEP THE COLONIES

A vigorous campaign has developed in Great Britain, both in Parliament and in the country to safeguard British colonies and mandated territories. We suggest the agitation is timely, particularly when it is remembered that recently His Majesty's Ministers offered large pieces of British territory to a nation which had broken treaty pledges and commenced a war of conquest. Imperialists are asking: Is it for this our fathers built this Empire? Was it created to be given away to ambitious peoples as a price for peace? Certainly not. It was built with the blood and bones of British men and women that their children's children might live in peace, security and comfort; and it was built strongly enough that if its peace and security were threatened its people could forego their comforts to defend their rights. That sounds very well to imperialists, we imagine. And we sympathise with the view.

But economists, a new race of people, are making themselves heard. They are talking about the redistribution of the world's natural resources. They say that some nations have too many, and other nations have too few. Some of the more radical of the reformers would have Great Britain give away some of her colonial possessions—just as another race of reformers wanted Britain to give away or scrap her Navy a few years ago. But colonies and navies are essential to the well-being of an Empire, comes the retort. And so we have a deadlock.

Besides, the colonies themselves should have something to say about it. We cannot imagine a plebiscite in Hongkong giving this colony to anyone but Britain. Besides, we have no very great natural resources except our climate.

But perhaps there is a measure of comfort for the reformers in the thought that mandated territories may be jiggled about for the good of the whole world. Now that we have a League of Nations, which already holds a mandate over some areas, why not place all mandated territories under its supervision?

When others signify their willingness to surrender the right of mandate we are pretty certain Britain will agree to abandon hers. Unfortunately, however, we are not the only people who like the sound of the slogan: "What we have, we hold."

TO some it is more—it is an opportunity. It was so to this child of the theatre.

In the kaleidoscopic life of London's mean streets he found tragedy and comedy—and learned that their springs lie side by side.

He knew the problems of the poor, not from the aloof angle of the social investigator but at first hand. They were his mother's problems—and his own.

But the very struggle of life gave a new zest to common things. So daily Charlie's keen eyes noted some new aspect of the exposed expanse of life around him.

In somewhat similar circumstances, many years before, another boy had found, amid the rank luxuriance of London life, a key to fame and fortune. He also had missed much that should be the birthright of every child. But the alchemy of genius transmuted bitterness and suffering into the gold of great literature and gave us the novels of Charles Dickens.

Between these two there is an essential similarity. Both knew hardness in childhood. Both made their misfortunes stepping-stones to success. They developed along different lines, chose different mediums of expression, but both quarrelled in the same rich mine of common life and found there treasure of laughter and drama for the delight of all mankind.

So we need not regret the shadows that fall over Charlie Chaplin's early life. Without them his gifts might have shone less brightly, and the whole world would have been poorer.

Genius is essentially a hardy plant. It thrives in the east wind. It withers in hothouse. That is true in every walk of life. The reason the historic British families, have produced so many men of distinction is that, on the whole, they have borne great responsibilities rather than enjoyed great wealth.

NATURALLY and inevitably, once school days were over, the youthful Charlie Chaplin found his way on to the stage.

And when he was 21 he signed a contract which took him to the United States and Canada with the Fred Karno Comedy Company.

This tour was, in some ways, as important to the development of the Chaplin that we know as were his early days in London. It was one of the great formative experiences of his career.

We like to think of Charlie Chaplin as a Briton, but America gave a new direction, a new edge to his quality. It opened to him new fields of character and circumstance.

Twenty-five years ago, when the young actor crossed the Atlantic, life in the States was more fluid than in England—more fluid, perhaps, than it is to-day. Its forms had not set. Personalities were more important than conventions.

Class distinctions mattered comparatively little when the assistant of to-day was so often the employer of to-morrow, and the majority of professional men had paid for their university training with the work of their hands.

Even poverty wore a different face. In America, it was not the bitter, grinding destitution Charlie had encountered in London.

In many cases it was a poverty deliberately chosen, rather than imposed from without.

Every cinema-goer is familiar with the Chaplin tramps, but how many of them have reflected how characteristically American are these homeless wanderers.

In the dwindling ranks of the British tramps one finds all sorts of people—from the varsity graduate whose career has ended in ruin and disgrace to the half-imbecile illiterate who has been unemployable since boyhood.

Even to-day, when work is no longer easy to secure, the American wanderer still refuses to acknowledge defeat.

That indomitable spirit is an integral part of the make-up of the screen Charlie Chaplin.

His portrayal of the underdog is definitely American rather than British. The British working-man has courage in plenty, but those whom prolonged unemployment has forced on the road are often broken and despairing. The Chaplin tramp has a quality of defiance and disdain.

But the American scene as a whole has influenced Chaplin—its variety, its colour, its animation, its strange and spectacular contrasts. And the States did more than this for the little English actor; they provided the opportunity for which, without knowing it, he had been waiting. They introduced him to the ideal medium for his genius, the motion picture.

IT was a sultry day in July, 1913. A bored film magnate, Mr. A. Kessel, was strolling along Broadway.

Pausing at Hammerstein's Music Hall to chat with the manager, he heard roar upon roar of laughter. The sound interested him. It had been a long time since anyone had made him laugh.

"I expect it's that young Chaplin that's causing the cackle," said the manager. "He's pretty good."

So in went Mr. Kessel to see the Fred Karno Comedy Company perform "A Night in a London Music Hall" and to investigate young Chaplin.

Soon he was laughing with the rest of the audience. But when Mr. Kessel laughed in a place of public entertainment his mirth meant business. Round he went to the back, was ushered into Chaplin's tiny dressing-room, and at once proceeded to offer him £15 a week to play in Keystone comedies. It was more money than he had ever earned before, but Charlie said "No."

That only made Mr. Kessel more determined. He raised his bid to \$20 a week. Still Charlie said "No." For the moment the

film magnate left it at that. But now he was no longer bored. He had a new interest in life. He returned to the attack. This time his offer was £30. Charlie still hesitated, but in the end he accepted. And so to Hollywood and the beginning of the most astounding career in cinema history.

It is Mr. Chaplin's dream to play tragic roles as well as comic ones.

The man whose glorious fooling made "Shoulder Arms" a favourite with war-weary veterans of the trenches wants to reinterpret Napoleon to the world. There are other characters, as far removed from those in which he desires to portray.

Those who smile at these ambitions have not appreciated Chaplin's genius at its true worth. No mere clown, however brilliant, could ever have captured so completely the affections of the great public. He owes his unrivalled position as a star to the fact that he is a great actor, who can tug at our heart-strings as surely as he compels our laughter. There are moments, in some of his films, of an almost unbearable poignancy.

It is a great achievement, and one possible only to a consummate actor, to command at once, tears and laughter. But it is the laughter which predominates, and Mr. Chaplin is perfectly right in desiring an opportunity of playing straight tragedy.

Until he does so, his pathos will be regarded as merely a by-product of his toothbrush moustache and the ludicrous Chaplin walk.

Probably had it not been for the coming of the talkies we would already have seen this great star in a serious role. He is the one figure of the old silent screen to whom the triumph of the spoken word has meant neither speech nor extinction.

He relives, as of old, upon a pantomime that is more expressive than talk. But while the silence of Charlie Chaplin has lost none of its former magic, would Mr. Charles Chaplin, in a role of a kind completely unfamiliar to his audiences, and of which they would almost certainly be highly critical, be able to "get away with it"?

Pantomime, of which he is a master, is capable of expressing every emotion, of communicating the subtlest shades of meaning. A man who can act with his whole body has no need of words, whatever part he plays.

RADIO-PHONE  
NECESSARY TO  
COLONY

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direction the clear explanation of your Company's position which has been characteristic of the annual statements hitherto submitted to you though in a somewhat different form.

Referring to the debit side of Profit & Loss Account, there is little that calls for special comment. Attention must be directed, however, to the allowance for depreciation which is \$30,716.92 in excess of the provision made under this heading for the previous year. By way of explanation, I would point out that the matter of depreciation in its relation to the physical deterioration of your plant and the not less important factor of obsolescence make it imperative—having regard to the safeguarding of your investment—not only that the basis on which the normal annual appropriation is computed should be fundamentally sound, but that this should be capable of being varied from time to time in the light of experience gained progressively from the operation of the system over an increasing number of years. This question is one that has had the close attention of your Directors at all times from the inception of the Company and the policy adopted in this connection—endorsed by Shareholders throughout the years of operation—is in large measure responsible for the stability of your undertaking which, notwithstanding the long drawn out period of economic depression, is able to show the satisfactory results displayed in the accounts as presented for the financial period under review.

## VALUE OF DOLLAR :

The sterling value of the Hongkong dollar has an important bearing on the cost of service, and it must be clear that expenses in respect of sterling commitments increase as the exchange value of our local dollar diminishes.

Bearing in mind that within recent years the dollar has fluctuated between roughly 11½d. and 2½d., the maintenance of what I might describe as the stabilisation of subscription rates at their existing low level covering an extended period of years—under widely varying conditions—is no mean achievement and one which I venture to think will be appreciated by the telephone public as well as shareholders. In this connection I would reiterate what has been stated from this Chair on several occasions, namely, that it is the constant aim of your Directorate, insofar as efficient management and economic operation can control the cost, to give to subscribers a telephone service of the highest order, at rates as low as are compatible with the plant investment required to supply such service on demand, and at the same time to enable your Company to continue the high standard of maintenance necessary for the continuance of a service which, I submit, is comparable in all respects with the best that can be obtained elsewhere.

Provision for bonus to European staff has been made conforming with our usual practice, whilst payment of bonus to the non-European staff was effected in the customary manner prior to Chinese New Year. In view of the highly satisfactory results of the year's working, I am confident that these allocations will have your full endorsement.

## GAINS OFFSET

The profit for the year under review is \$184,20 less than that for the preceding financial period, for although the balance from the working account is \$33,084.04 higher, and receipts from interest and dividends also show an increase of \$4,765.04, it was found necessary, as I have already indicated, to make an additional allowance for Depreciation which has the effect of offsetting these gains.

The proposals of your Directors for dealing with the profit for the year are incorporated in the Profit & Loss Appropriation Account which, I think, is self-explanatory. The appropriation to General Reserve is on the same scale as for the previous financial year, and the unappropriated profits carried forward to the balance sheet are also on the customary lines.

Referring to the liabilities side of the balance sheet, it will be observed in the increase in the General Reserve Fund which will stand at \$765,064.00—contingent on your approval of the proposed appropriation thereto for the year under review of the sum of \$170,482.00.

The heading "Automatic Exchange Equipment," under which your Company's outstanding liability of \$23,112.88 was entered in the balance sheet for the last financial year has disappeared consequent upon payment of this final instalment—which was effected in accordance with the terms of contract—during the year 1935. In other words, your Automatic Exchange Plants have been paid for in full and I venture to suggest that members must experience considerable satisfaction from a realisation of this desirable state of affairs coupled with the knowledge that sufficient reserve capacity is available to meet the normal demand for service over a reasonable period in the immediate future in conformity with the terms of your franchise.

## LARGE RESERVE

On the Assets side of the Balance Sheet, it will be observed that Depreciation Reserve stands at \$1,800,486.18 and this, together with general reserve, is represented under investments which are shown at cost in the sum of \$2,670,066.57. The market value of these investments at December 31, 1935 was \$2,560,400.05, or only \$110,566.62 below cost price. Having regard to the extent of these investments and the difficult times through which we have passed, I am confident that you will regard this position as satisfactory, as the depreciation amounts to 4.30 per cent. only. In this relation, it will interest Shareholders to know that, with further appreciation in these investments

# First Of New £30,000,000 Empire Merchant Fleet Sets Out

WHEN the Union Castle motor-ship Stirling Castle started her maiden voyage from Southampton to the Cape recently, there began a new and busy chapter in the story of Empire shipping.

Within the next two years a fleet of no fewer than fifty luxurious ships, worth thirty million pounds, will make their first voyages along the routes of Empire. Many of them will come into service this year.

Shipbuilding firms are constructing eight passenger ships for Empire routes.

## NEW MOTOR SHIPS

They include the 25,000-ton Athlone Castle for the Union Castle's Cape run; two passenger and cargo motor-ships, 16,000 tons each, for the same company's Round-Africa service; an 11,000-ton motorship for a Melbourne company; and a 10,000-ton cargo and passenger motor-ship for the Lamport and Holt Line.

At Barrow is the 24,000-ton passenger steamer Oracles for the Orient Line.

Belfast, bidding to continue as the home of the world's busiest

since the close of the financial year, the difference between cost price and market value has been considerably narrowed. Before leaving this subject, I would make passing reference to the speech of my predecessor in the Chair made at the last annual meeting, wherein he advocated the establishment of an Exchange & Investment Fluctuation Reserve as soon as circumstances would permit. Conditions prevailing during the year under review have clearly demonstrated the wisdom of this advocacy and, although it has not yet been possible to take any action towards this end, I can assure Shareholders that the matter is one which is constantly before your Board, who are prepared to take any necessary steps towards securing authorisation for the establishment of such Reserve as soon as, in their opinion, the time is opportune.

In directing your attention to the next position, I submit that the highly desirable situation disclosed by the Accounts is one which must particularly in these difficult times convey a feeling of solidarity to members. It will, of course, be appreciated that the balance shown will be depleted to the extent of \$450,000 in order to meet payment of the final dividend—if your Directors proposals in this connection meet with your approval. I would here remark that since the close of the last financial year, steps have been taken with a view to the employment of surplus funds profitably, with the object of obtaining a reasonable return by way of interest, whilst retaining full security in the matter of the capital sum involved.

## PLANT MAINTAINED

The condition of your plant and other equipment is being maintained in accordance with the highest technical standards, and this is reflected not only in the continued excellent service from your automatic exchange plants—which, incidentally have now been in operation for nearly six years—but in an equally satisfactory condition of the instrument plant, cable network, and system of line distribution, all of which occupy positions of similar importance in the confection of that composite modern necessity termed Telephone Service.

In this connection I feel confident that I will be expressing the sentiments of all members by paying tribute, at this juncture, to your staff who, by their loyal co-operation and conscientious endeavour, have played such an important part in achieving these results.

Extension and development of your cable distribution network has progressed not only in accordance with the immediate demand but also with due regard to the prospect of future growth and, in the light of this policy, shareholders can be assured of their Company's ability adequately to respond to any reasonable demand for additional installations.

With a view to satisfying modern requirements, your Company has recently introduced Automatic Private Branch Exchanges for the use of large subscribers whose satisfaction with the varied range of communication facilities thereby provided, coupled with the ease of operation and greater speed of connection, indicates the increasingly important role which this class of installation is likely to assume in future development to the mutual benefit of the subscriber and the Company.

## TSUN WAN AREA

During the year under review, a small Automatic Exchange was opened in the Tsun Wan area of the New Territories at Government request. It is the opinion of your Company that the district in question is unsuitable, in its present stage of development, for a self-contained exchange system, as that portion of the plant investment which provides for local service within the relevant exchange area remains idle, due to the lack of community of interest between subscribers on such exchange who are mainly concerned in obtaining communication with their correspondents in Hongkong and Kowloon.

Conversely, junction plant must be provided in excess of requirements normally encountered in rural areas and, as far as concerned, disproportionate to the total working capacity of the Exchange.

## POSES AS OFFICIAL

## BUT CAUGHT BY VICTIM'S RUSE

Leung Chi-wun, 24, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was charged with having obtained \$10 from Pang Fook, 45, foreman, by falsely pretending that he was employed by the Sanitary Department. Defendant admitted the charge and on the application of the prosecutor he was remanded for 24 hours in police custody for his finger-prints to be re-taken.

Detective-Sergeant Forrest appeared for the prosecution and stated that about 4.30 p.m. on March 6 the defendant telephoned to the complainant at his shop on No. 143 Kin Kin Street, and told him that he was Mak Kwong of the Sanitary Department and advised him if he (complainant) had received a warning letter from the Sanitary Department regarding the condition of the shop.

Complainant replied he had received the letter and defendant said that the matter would be settled if complainant gave him \$10. Complainant agreed and defendant said that he would send a man named Wong Sum to collect the money. That night Wong Sum, who was defendant, went and received the money.

At 8.30 a.m. on March 10 defendant again telephoned complainant and said that he was Mak Kwong again. He had received the money from Wong Sum, but it was not enough. He asked for more and complainant agreed again.

His suspicions were aroused however, and he communicated with a Sanitary Inspector and a report was made to the Shamshui Po Police Station. A detective was sent out and on his arrival at the complainant's arrested defendant who was already there.

In remanding defendant his Worship informed the complainant that he would not make an order for the repayment of the \$10 to him because he had paid it thinking that he was paying a bribe to a Sanitary Inspector.

The prosecution added that defendant alleged that he knew that a notice had been served on the complainant because he had seen it being delivered by a constable but the police did not believe that. "He must be working in with someone who knows all the ins and outs of the working of the Sanitary Department," concluded Sergeant Forrest.

Lightened as to the cause of the delay, but we have the Chairman's statement that establishment of such a service is not a prerogative of this Company.

For Hongkong to be without modern facilities that are available in adjacent ports and cities is, in these competitive days, a definite handicap to the progress of its commerce.

In the interests of the Colony therefore, as well as of the Company, we urge the Directors to continue to exert whatever influence they possess with those in authority to ensure the establishment of a modern direct Radio-Telephone Service.

Speaking for a moment personally, I would like to congratulate the management and staff of our Company on the very excellent telephone system the Colony enjoys as a result of their endeavours. In the course of my everyday life I use the telephone considerably and my experience is that the service is efficient in every respect.

With these remarks I have much pleasure in seconding the Report and Accounts now before this meeting.

The adoption of the Report and Accounts was passed unanimously.

Promised by Mr. Frank Austin and seconded by Mr. A. McKellar. Messrs. J. Scott Harston and A. L. Shields were re-elected Directors of the Company.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors of the Company for the ensuing year at a fee of \$3,400 per annum on the proposal of Mr. Wong Ping-sun, seconded by Mr. W. C. Clark.

Accounts were passed unanimously.

Mr. E. E. Warburton, on No. 7 Hollywood Road, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for driving his dog down a white dog strand at Jordan Road, without a muzzle on February 24.

Mr. C. M. Sequeira, of No. 9 Sores Avenue, admitted two summonses for driving two dogs without a muzzle and was fined a total of \$5. It was stated that it was only a matter of removing the licences; defendant had licences for the dogs but had failed to renew them.

Supply services are moving up great masses of material for advanced positions.

Italian troops are moving across the Takazze River and to the south of Amba Alagi.—Reuter.

Kill Kidney Trouble Quick

Thousands of sufferers from Kidney trouble and Bladder weakness have stopped Getting Up, Nights, Leg Pains, Nervousness, Rheumatism, Diseases, Lumbar, Burning, Itching, Sciatica, Aridity, and Loss of Vigour by a Doctor's new discovery called Crystek (Blistex). Genuinely soothed, tones, cleans, and heals, save sore kidneys. In 10 minutes Crystek starts purifying your blood. Takes new health, youth and vitality in 48 hours. Guaranteed to end your troubles in a day or money back. Get Crystek at all chemists.

## RADIO BROADCAST

## The Continental Trio From The Studio

## Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.E.K. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):

5-6 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

6.30-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7-7.15 p.m. "The Three Men Suite" (Eric Coates).

7.15-7.30 p.m. A Recital by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

1. My Sunshine Is You (Stolz); 2. Springtime Reminds Me of You (Murnau); 3. Serenade ("Student Prince") (Romberg); 4. Vienna, City of my dreams; 5. I'll Always Be True (Bortzky).

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

Selections by "The Continental Trio."

Programme

1. I'm sitting high on a hill top;

2. Violin Solo—My Buddy; 3. Piano Solo—Selected; 4. Zueya Pampena;

5. Violin Solo—Avalon; 6. East of the Sun, West of the Moon; 7. Piano Solo—Selected; 8. No Strings.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.15 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

8.15-8.30 p.m. Close Down.

8.30-9 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a Frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05-8.30 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra, directed by Alfred Van Dam. Relayed from the Trocadero Cinema, London.

8.30-9 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Instrumental—Fox-Trot Medley.

Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffin Song.

I Can Wiggle My Ears ("Fifteen Girl") (Josie Matthews); Violin Solo—Grinning; Albert Sammons Vocal Duet—I'm on a See-Saw ("Jill Darling") (Louise Barr and John Mills); Instrumental—Rolling Home.

... The Eight Piano Symphony; Song—The Echo of a Song; Turner Layton; Vocal—In the shade of the old apple tree... The Four Aces; Waltz—Underneath the Blue Hawaiian Skies; Waltz—Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl.

9.45-10 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-9.30 p.m. Concert Waltzes.

Tales from the Vienna Woods (J. Strauss); Roses from the South (J. Strauss).

9.30-10 p.m. Dance Music.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Close Down.

## KARLSRUHE FOR HOME

## LEAVES TOKYO FOR KIEL

Tokyo, Mar. 12. The German cruiser Karlsruhe left yesterday for Kiel via Panama.

The Karlsruhe, which arrived in Tokyo on March 4 abandoned her projected visit to Yokohama on account of the Tokyo rebellion.—Reuter.

## MIST OR DRIZZLE

The anticyclone has moved into the Pacific to the east of Japan, leaving a depression over Indo-China and an irregular area of relatively low pressure over the China Coast. Another anticyclone is probably developing over North China. Local Forecast: East winds, moderate; cloudy with fog, mist or drizzle.

On a charge of returning from banishment Tam Chun, 49, unemployed, was sentenced to ten months' hard labour on his appearance before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning. He was deported on January 4 last for ten years. Another returned banished, Chan Chiklin, aged 18, was remanded until tomorrow for a medical report on his eyes. Inspector Logan prosecuted.

Charged with beggary at Queen's Road Central near the Central Theatre, Lau Kin, aged 60, was sentenced to a week's imprisonment when he appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning. Detective-Sergeant Guild prosecuted.

Yu Kiu-cheung, 60, was knocked down by motor lorry \$100 in Connaught Road Central, yesterday, and was sent to the Government Civil Hospital. The lorry was being driven by an unlicensed driver who was arrested.

Alleged to have snatched fifteen five-cent pieces from the counter of a teashop at No. 114 Canton Road yesterday, Chan Lee, 38, unemployed, was brought before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Choi Tak, 30, also a widow, was similarly dealt with in respect to premises at No. 46 Gage Street, first floor, the ball of \$40 in the case of Chin Yuet, aged 70, widow, who was charged with keeping a "prostitute" lodging house at Kowloon.

Chung Chi-shau, 28, and Thong Wing-shoung, 21, fell into the engine room and were injured. They were removed to the Kowloon Hospital, where Thong, Wing-shoung, died at 4 p.m.

While working on board the s.s. Tung Lee yesterday, four men, Cheung Tai-ho, 62, Ho Sui



# HOW FUTURE OF INJURED FOOTBALL PLAYERS IS ASSURED

**F.A. £70,000 FUND:  
£300 FOR WIDOW  
OF REFEREE**

Compensation for injured footballers is once again a much-discussed topic following the death of Jimmy Thorpe, the Sunderland goalkeeper. Many people have asked what is done to safeguard the future and dependants of players whose careers are terminated through injury on the field.

One thing is certain. Whatever action may be taken by the authorities in the case of Thorpe's dependants, the Sunderland club may be called upon to do more than their share. Sunderland have a reputation for generosity and fair dealing towards players injured in the club's service.

But it is the wider aspect that is causing concern in the public mind. Fortunately, there have been comparatively few cases of permanent injury or death in football, but the safeguards devised must be both satisfactory and prompt.

Apart from the requirements of the National Insurance Act, which apply only to players receiving up to £250 a year, all clubs are bound to insure their players under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

The Football League Mutual Insurance Federation is controlled by the League management committee.

This fund provides for such cases as come under the Workmen's Compensation Act. Towards this fund, League clubs must pay a regular percentage of home gates—1 per cent. by First and Second Division clubs, 1½ per cent. by the Southern Section clubs and 2 per cent. by the Northern Section clubs.

#### 30s. A WEEK

From this fund a player rendered unfit for the game is paid 30s. per week after the expiration of his yearly contract. Up to the expiration of his contract the club must stand the cost unless, as in the case of several London clubs, a separate insurance is in existence.

That 30s. weekly is continued until a settlement for a lump sum is agreed to by the parties concerned or death

occurs. As regards international and inter-League games the position is different. The F.A. and the League have every player covered for each match covered up to £4,000. This insures the clubs for any loss they may incur by a player being either killed or permanently disabled.

Armed were responsible for this state a few years ago, when they declined to release players for representative games at home or abroad unless they were insured so as to be covered under the Compensation Act and the club guaranteed a specific sum.

The Arsenal took the first step themselves when in May 1933 they insured Charlie Jones and Bob John playing for Wales against France for £5,000 each. Now the F.A. and the League, for their own representative games, cover the players in order to indemnify their clubs if necessary.

The Workmen's Compensation Act, of course, covers players in F.A. Cup matches, as well as games played on club tours.

#### BENEVOLENT FUND

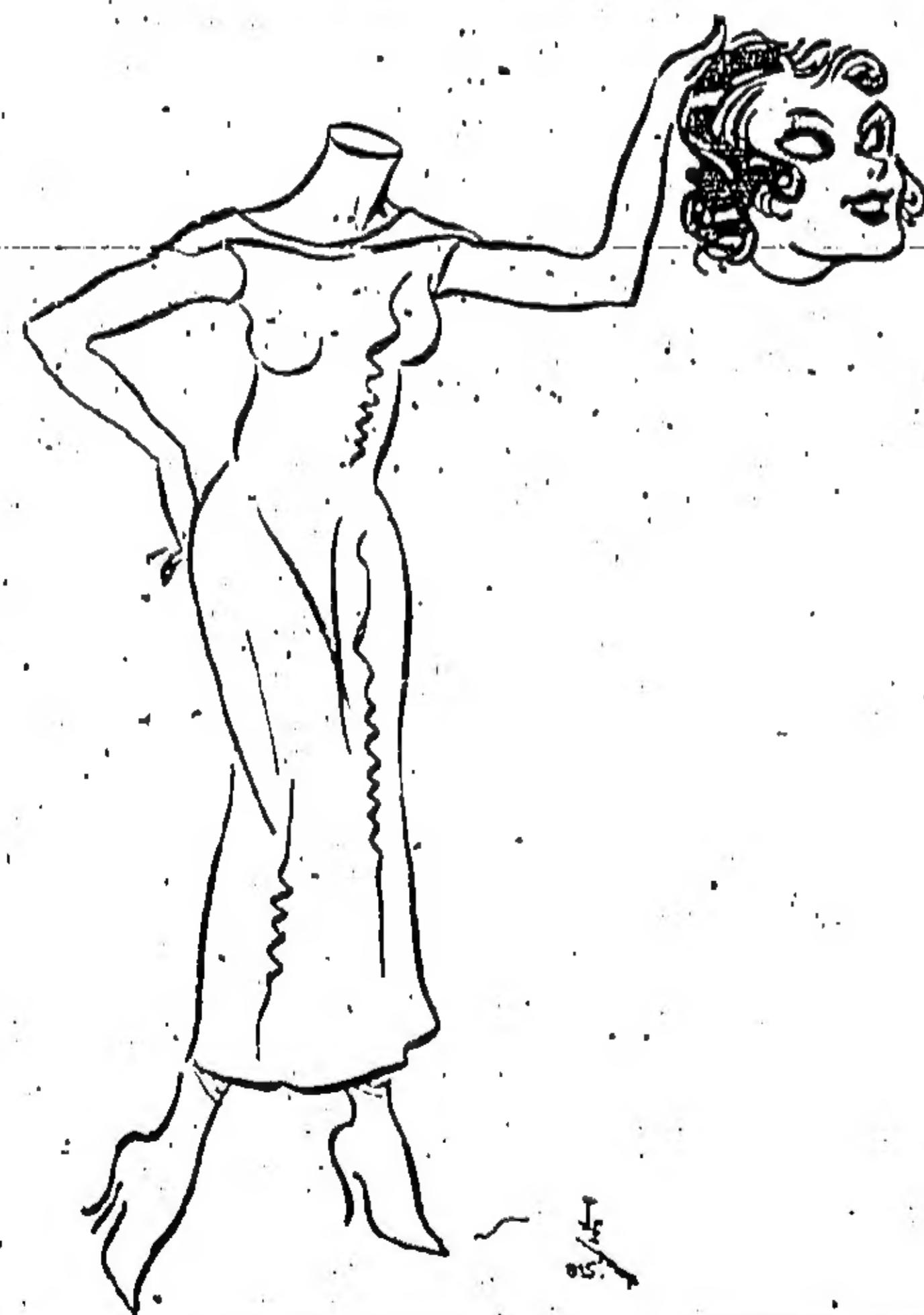
There is another fund that often comes to the aid of necessitous players or their families. This is the F.A. Benevolent Fund, which has something like £70,000 invested. It was this fund that came to the aid of Marsden, the Sheffield Wednesday half back, who was permanently injured in Germany.

It has been declared that the F.A. Benevolent Fund might be more generously distributed, since it has been established out of the proceeds of the game.

One instance proving that the F.A. deal more generously than is supposed when cases of real necessity are brought to their notice and convincing data is produced. More than £300 was paid over a period of three years to the invalid widow of a referee.

Few, if any, of the stars are insured by the clubs for League games. The rates are from five to eight times higher than the ordinary accident rates. The cost of insuring a goal-keeper is the same as that for any other player.

**ARE YOU  
A HEAD HUNTER?**



#### BILLIARDS

**Junior Title  
Won After  
Keen Game**

BY L. T. YUNG

L. T. Yung was crowned first official junior billiards champion of the Colony last night when he defeated A. Kitchell in the final at Club Lusitano by 500 points to 434. Yung owed his success to the collapse of Kitchell after that player had led for most of the game. At one stage fairly early on Kitchell had double the number of points to his opponent, but the margin was gradually narrowed and later on the lead changed hands several times with the players never far apart.

Kitchell reached his 300 with Yung still in the 230s, but the champion went in again with some useful breaks and assumed an advantage at 300, when he led by three points. The players then became 423-all after which Kitchell went to pieces, and Yung, thanks to consistency ran to his final points with Kitchell 66 in arrears.

The billiards was extremely good and a credit to both contestants. Kitchell's potting was brilliant, while Yung concentrated on in-of shots which yielded him the majority of his points.

Yung also had the satisfaction of chalking up the highest break of the match—46, and followed this with a nice 31. Kitchell's best efforts were 20 and 24. Both players were accorded a warm ovation at the conclusion.

#### LAM WINS CONSOLATION

Lam Choo-cha and M. M. da Silva played off for the third and fourth prizes in the senior championship last night. Lam winning a 750 match up by 272 points. Lam led throughout at one time the score board reading 302-155 in his favour and later 400-294.

Lam scored easily and consistently, twice recording breaks of more than 50, the chief breaks being 20 (twice), 30, 36, 23, 56, 28, 21 (twice), 22, 58, 48. Silva's best efforts were 22 (twice), 33, 50, 34.

#### ENDS TO-NIGHT

The championship comes to an end-to-night when A. J. Osmund and W. Hong Sling contest the senior final. This match promises to provide "fans" with some of the best billiards seen here for many years. Both men are in good form, and although Osmund is strongly favoured to win he has an opponent who will demand the very best of play from him. The match which is 1,000 points up will be played over two sessions, the first at 5.30 and the second at 9. Club Lusitano is again the venue.

Those who desire to watch tonight's game and have not yet secured a seat will be pleased to know that there are still about 100 unreserved seats left. The whole of the play can be well seen from these seats, which are priced at \$1.10.

After the match the prizes for the tournament will be presented to the winners by Mr. E. D. Da Rosa.

#### LOCAL YACHTING

**Lobo And Dorothea Win Sweepstake Races**

The sweepstake races held yesterday for the "H" class and the "A," "Y" and "D" classes, resulted in wins for Lieut. Col. Reid, in Dorothea, in the "H" class, and Miss L. C. Edwards, in Lobo, in the mixed classes event.

The course was Channel Rocks (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Rumsey Shoal (P.), N. mark on line (P.), Channel Rocks (S.), Club line. Distance 8.3 miles.

A Dinner Dance and Cabaret has been organised in an effort to add further to the funds of the Hongkong Benevolent Society. The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels and local artistes have offered their support for the event, which will take place at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, March 27, from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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## Small Town Girl

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### THE STORY THUS FAR

After leaving Wellesley, Kay Brannan obtains a position as advertising assistant. She enters on a mad whirl of gaiety, consoling to her roommate Genevieve, that she will never return to uneventful Carvel. She sees a great deal of Dane Ripley who is not "the marrying kind." When her boss taxes her with neglecting her job she quits in a fury and goes to a yacht party with Dane. To escape his violent lovemaking, she leaves in a passing rowboat, married by grocer sister being married to a dull Carvel and the thought of her him her story, how she hates Priscilla Hyde. Kay starts to tell is horrified, for he is engaged to married. Sober again though, Bob drunkenly insists that they get Motoring her back to Boston he Dakin, a medical doctor.

### CHAPTER XV

After a moment, Bob said, half irritated: "It doesn't make sense to me. What's wrong with Carvel, and grocer?" She shook her head. "No man can understand," she admitted. "I don't really understand myself. But I'd heard a lot about you, and you sounded pretty grand, and when you insisted last night that we got married..." She hesitated. "I tried to stop you," she said. "At least I went through the motions." She smiled, appealingly. "But I knew I didn't try very hard. You see, I wanted to marry you—somebody—so much."

"Well, you're honest about it, anyway!"

"I told you last night how it was with me," she insisted. "And I told you that if you married me, I'd never let you go!"

Bob's brows lifted. "I see," he remarked in a sardonic tone. Then he said, half to himself: "Well, you must have been hard up for a husband, to pick me!" There was a grim mirth in his tones. "I expect you hadn't heard my latest exploit," he decided, and explained in grim self-disgust. "I was called to do an emergency appendix yesterday afternoon, and the hospital superintendent wouldn't let me operate because I was drunk. She sent for the chief instead! I'm probably on the street myself, right now!"

Pain was in her eyes. "I'm sorry," she said.

He looked at her thoughtfully. "You knew I was engaged, didn't you?" he asked. "Genevieve must have told you."

Kay nodded, and he laughed again, in a helpless way. "I don't get you," he said. "You seem like a nice kid, and yet you've acted like a—moving picture vampire!"

"I don't get myself," she agreed wistfully.

"It's a mess!" he reflected. He sat still, looking at the water which flowed so calmly past their wheels. And at last, he stirred.

"Well," he said. "No use sitting here. I'll call a car, send for help, get this bus back on the road. I guess it will run all right." He tried the starter, and the engine responded readily enough. He switched it off again. "We didn't go in deep enough to wet anything. You stay here!"

She nodded obediently; and he scrambled up the bank and departed. Kay was left for a long time alone. When he returned, she had not moved at all. She heard a car stop on the road above her, and then men's voices; and she looked up and saw Bob and a garage mechanic. Rob called down to her: "You'd better get out. The car might upset, when he hauls it up the bank!"

Kay obeyed him. She climbed to the level and stood by the elm, watching while they affixed a chain to the rear axle. The service truck backed into position; and after some manoeuvring, the roadster was safe on the road again. Bob directed briefly: "You can get in now!" She saw him deal with the grinning mechanic; then he came to climb into the seat beside her.

A car approached and slowed down and someone shouted "Hey Bob!" Kay saw countenances vaguely familiar. Bob, without replying, meshed the gears, his eyes straight ahead.

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and they leaped away toward Boston. Kay asked no questions, but Bob said at last, under his breath: "We'll go to my home. But I hate to think what my father will say!" Kay did not speak; and thereafter no word passed between them till Bob stopped the car before Dr. Dakin's house on Beacon Hill.

Beacon Hill houses are in their essentials very much alike. They stand close together so that all the units in a block constitute in effect one building but though their exterior design is in the nature of things almost uniform, outwardly they mirror the individual ideas of the owner or the architect. Flat-fronted brick may be set next to brick with bay windows, and beyond that gray stone, and then brick again; and the brick may be painted or not, and the roof may be flat or steep with dormers. Each house is about thirty feet through, from side to side; sometimes a little less, seldom much more. And each extends from the street in front, or from near the street to an area way behind. These houses have windows only in the front and rear; and the rooms are high and a little gloomy on a murky day.

Dr. Dakin's home was distinguished from its neighbours by only one circumstance. It had the same small yard in front, with a tulip tree which bloomed lavishly in spring, and for the rest of the summer drooped under an increasing burden of root and grime. It had the same iron fence around the yard, with the same sagging, rusty iron gate, and the same channel in the stone step where the gate had dragged. It had the same halfdozen steps upward to the front door; the fanlight above the door had the characteristic gracefulness of the neighbourhood. But this house, though it was of brick like its neighbours, was painted white; the only white house in the block. Bob referred to this, when he pulled up before the door.

"Well, here we are," he said doubtfully. "The white one!" Then he remarked in a sardonic amusement. "Mighty convenient, having it white. As long as a man can see at all, he can find it, the darkest night, no matter how fuddled he may be."

Kay tried to speak, nodded dumbly; and she smiled a little, and swallowed, and said: "My throat's dry! I guess my voice is cracked. In scared!"

"So am I," he confessed. He shook his head, spoke protectively. "But you needn't be. Father's not the storming kind. No matter what he feels, he'll be courteous, and—kind." He took her arm. "Come," he said. "We'll go in."

He pushed back the gate that grated on the stone; and they climbed the steps together. There was a glass knob which Bob pulled, and somewhere in the house a bell rang. Bob was pale, and he seemed to move slowly, in a daze. Then someone moved, in the hall; and the door opened and a man stood there. Kay looked at this man, and he seemed of a sufficient age, and sufficiently grave and composed to be Bob's father; but Bob said to him in familiar tones:

"Morning, Childers. Come in. Miss Brannan," he said. "And he led Kay past the man, into 'is hall.

The ceiling was incredibly high. A flight of stairs painted white with a mahogany rail, led upward, curving at the top into the hall above. Childers stared at Kay in a flimsy evening gown, sadly, draggled now, and at Bob in disordered dinner clothes. But the man's eyes were without expression. He closed the door behind her, and Kay looked around, and then she looked at Bob, and Bob said softly:

"They have rung, sir," Childers said.

Bob nodded and spoke to Kay. "That means I'll be down in a few minutes," he explained. "Childers, we'll have breakfast with them. Show Miss Brannan to the small guest room." He explained to Kay: "I want to clean up a bit. I'll meet you at the head of the stairs. Up there." He pointed. "Mother and Father will come down in the elevator. Mother is lame; can't climb stairs."

And he turned away; but Kay caught his arm quickly. "Please!" she said, "don't change your clothes!"

"Why not?" he asked, puzzled.

"Can't you see," she reminded him appealingly. "I won't be quite so—outlandish-looking, if you're dressed for evening too."

"That's right," he assented grimly. "All right! I'll stay as I am!"

Kay, presently alone, did what swift service was possible to her hair, her gown. Then someone tapped on her door; and when she opened, Bob stood there.

"They're just coming down," he explained merrily. "The elevator went up a minute ago. Are you ready now?"

Bob nodded, and they descended the stairs together. The elevator shaft was at the rear of the front hall; there they stood together at the foot of the stairs, and heard the low hum of the car. Then Childers came out of the dining-room to open the door of the elevator, and Bob's father and mother emerged, and Bob went to meet them.

Kay stayed by the foot of the stairs. Bob must have been the son of their later years. Mrs. Dakin's hair was snowy white. She walked with a severe limp; the result of an injury to her hip, years ago, when she lost her stirrups at a jump. She came down the elevator on her husband's arm. Dr. Dakin's countenance still was youthful, with the good colour and the pleasant firm check of a man in perfect health; but his hair was likewise gray. They emerged from the elevator and saw Bob, and Bob said in a low tone:

"Hello, Mother!" He kissed her. "Good morning, Father!"

"Why, Bob!" his mother exclaimed, in a soft voice. "I thought you were staying for the race."

Dr. Dakin had already seen Kay. He looked at Bob inquiringly, and Mrs. Dakin smiled in a courteous greeting; and Bob performed introduction.

"This is Miss Brannan," he said huskily. He wiped his brow. "We were married this morning," he explained.

Mrs. Dakin's hand tightened on her husband's arm; and she moved a little uncertainly, and her colour drained away. Dr. Dakin caught her arm and held her for a moment. Then her strength returned; he left Mrs. Dakin with Bob, and came to Kay.

"Good-morning," he said. He extended his hand, and Kay surrendered hers to him, blindly, her senses swimming. "You're in season for breakfast," he told her. "Bob, take your mother in."

And Kay found herself moving beside Dr. Dakin toward the dining-room, in the rear of the first floor, so that its windows looked out on a small area way. Kay could see the top of a lime bush outside, but she found it hard to see even this much, for her eyes were blurred. Some how she was seated, Mrs. Dakin on her right, Dr. Dakin on her left; and Mrs. Dakin was asking about sugar and cream and coffee.

Childers moved like a shadow behind them. Presently Mr. Dakin said: "There is nothing else, Childers." He disappeared.

They spoke these older people, of casual things, quietly and easily. Dr. Dakin said it was a fine day; he trusted the wind would not blow on the river. Mrs. Dakin remembered boat races she had seen in other years, and said she disliked the hubbub and confusion at the finish. Bob spoke when he must; but Kay said nothing. She walked.

Presently there was a pause; and Bob said, in the tone of a man who accepts the inevitable: "Well, I expect you want to hear what I've got to say."

Mrs. Dakin looked at Kay. "You must both be tired," she suggested; and to Kay she said: "I think you would like to rest. There is no hurry. Dr. Dakin and I can wait."

Kay met her eyes; and for a long moment their glances held. Then Bob said headlong:

"No, I want to tell you now!"

And he said: "No need of beating around the bush, evading the issue. You know, we had a bachelor dinner for Ed Warren, last night, down at New London. I suppose everyone drank too much. I know I did." He hesitated, looking miserably at his father. "I had a start before I got there, too. Then Bob Dean and I decided to cut loose from the crowd. They were singing, pretty noisy. We got a boat and went rowing around the harbour. Miss Brannan was



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## The Call of the Savage

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## APPEALS AGAINST SENTENCE

CHINESE SEEKS TO CLEAR NAME

## LARCENY BY TRICKERY.

An appeal against the decision of the Magistrate, Mr. S. F. Balfour, in sentencing him to six months' hard labour on a charge of larceny by a trick, was brought by Wong Fal before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Acting Chief Justice, in the Appeal Court this morning.

The applicant was represented by Mr. Lee D'Almeida, Jr., instructed by Mr. C. A. Sturton Russ, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, was for the Crown. His Lordship reserved judgment.

Mr. D'Almeida said the appellant was originally charged with four others with conspiracy to defraud under common law. In the course of proceedings in the Magistracy three of the men were discharged, and the trial in connection with this particular charge went on against the appellant and another defendant. Both of them were subsequently acquitted on this charge but before such acquittal, another indictment was preferred against the appellant, that of larceny by a trick and, alternatively, of obtaining money by false pretences. On this charge he was convicted and sentenced to six months' hard labour.

### RESUME OF CASE

The evidence in connection with this charge was that sometime in 1933 the appellant met the complainant, Tam Lin, and put a proposition to him to the effect that he could manufacture bank notes. The complainant became interested in this and went to certain premises where the appellant had his apparatus for producing the bank-notes and saw one produced. Subsequently, the complainant agreed to become a party to the manufacture of such notes and put up \$21,500 for this purpose.

Continuing, Counsel said that although he asked for no sympathy in connection with his client the same lack of sympathy must of course be shown to the complainant, because he was an accomplice. What took place in the appellant's premises was that the money put up by the complainant was wrapped up and placed inside a machine. The complainant went out of the room for some time and on his return found the machine which was a box, go up in flames and was told that the notes had been accidentally burnt to ashes. He made no complaint to the Police about this incident for three years and only did so when the appellant was arrested last January for a similar offence.

### UNCORROBORATED

Counsel then went on to say that the conviction was wrong on the following grounds: (1) that the evidence was that of an accomplice and was entirely uncorroborated; (2) that the Magistrate must have misdirected himself in the matter of corroboration in that he could not have warned himself in the circumstances as to the danger of conviction; and (3) that the prosecution had failed to prove the offence with which the appellant was charged.

The complainant was clearly a criminal, in that he agreed to become an accomplice of the appellant in the manufacture of forged bank-notes and, as such, the well-known principle in connection with corroboration and warning must apply in this case. Apart from lack of corroboration, the prosecution had failed to prove that the crime was committed at all.

Counsel contented that it was always the duty of the judge and, in this case, the magistrate, to warn himself of the danger of conviction in a case of this kind. Even assuming that the Magistrate did warn himself, there was no corroborative evidence to justify the conviction.

### MUST HAVE BENEFIT

The offence in this case was larceny by a trick, but on looking through the evidence the prosecution had failed to prove any essential ingredients which could lead up to the charge. The evidence was consistent with the innocence of the appellant as with guilt, for although the prosecution alleged that he took the notes from the machine, there was also the probability that he did put them in and burn them accidentally. If that was the case, the benefit must be given to the appellant. The trial was most unsatisfactory in that the Magistrate had misdirected himself, either in the matter of corroboration or on the point of essential ingredients necessary in a charge of larceny by a trick.

Replying for the Crown, Mr. Williams said that the probable reason why the complainant did not make any report to the Police during the past three years was that he realised he would not get any sympathy.

Referring to the question of accomplice, Counsel submitted that the complainant could not be classed as such because the appellant was not charged with the manufacture of forged bank-notes. He was charged with larceny by a trick from the complainant, and under the circumstances no corroboration was required. The appellant was arrested in the Hotel Cecil on January last in possession of the same apparatus which he used three years ago, and that in itself was sufficient corroborative evidence.

Counsel concluded by submitting that even if the Court found that the conviction could not stand under the charge of larceny by a trick, it could still be upheld under the alternative indictment of obtaining money by false pretences.

Mr. D'Almeida remarked that the two charges were entirely different and a grave injustice to Mr. Davis.

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## NAVAL POWERS AGREE

IMPORTANT STEPS AT CONFERENCE

## LONGER LIFE FOR WARSHIP

(Special To "Telegraph")

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London, Mar. 11. The First Committee of the London Naval Conference has finally approved three important documents embodying the sub-committees' reports.

The first defines the age limit of warships;

The second, qualitative limitation; The third, advance notification of building programmes.

A sub-committee has been appointed to deal with safeguarding clauses, which will enable signatories to ignore agreements if non-signatories exceed the limits which the treaty allows.

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### BATTLESHIPS' AGES

London, Mar. 11. Battleships' ages were extended from twenty to twenty-six years and the new Naval Treaty will last until 1942, the First Committee of the Naval Conference decided to-day.

It is understood that European events have temporarily held up negotiations in respect to an Anglo-German qualitative treaty, but they will not delay the signature of the three-corner treaty between Britain, France and the United States.—Reuter's Special.

### PROPOSALS APPROVED

London, Mar. 11. At its meeting this afternoon the First Committee of the London Naval Conference examined and approved, under reservation of the Italian delegation, the proposals on capital ships and the non-construction zone, and, subject to the preparation of satisfactory clauses, the reports of the Technical Sub-Committee on definitions and age limits of combatant vessels, and on qualitative limitation.

The First Committee, after discussion, decided that the task of preparing suitable safeguarding clauses be entrusted to the Drafting Committee, which should at the same time draw up the full text of the basis of the discussions and decisions of the meeting and of the technical reports already approved.—British Wireless.

### AWAY 20 YEARS

Giving evidence in the witness-box, plaintiff said he returned to Hongkong in 1922 after having been in Canada for 20 years. On arrival here he went to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to withdraw \$2,000 which he later put in the defendant bank on the deposit receipt account. He had two other accounts, one for \$2,000 and the other for \$1,000. For the first few years he only collected the interest on these accounts but later drew on his principal.

In 1927 he withdrew the \$2,000 from the deposit receipt account and transferred the money to the savings account. No money was passed except that he collected the interest.

Later in the year he withdrew the other \$1,000 on the deposit receipt account and also put this into the savings account, for which he was given a second deposit book. From 1927 onwards he drew money from both these accounts.

When he first went to the bank to transact his business he saw somebody he did not know, but since then he had dealt with the second defendant who handed him the two deposit books.

Towards the end of last year he went to the bank to get some money but the second defendant told him there was none left. He said he still had \$700 in the bank and when the second defendant insisted there was no more money he put the matter in the hands of his solicitor.

The case is proceeding.

## SPEEDIER AIR MAIRS

## BRITISH FACILITIES WITH SCANDINAVIA

London, Mar. 11.

The Postmaster General has concluded arrangements whereby, from March 17, first-class mail letters and postcards prepaid at ordinary international postage will be sent by air each week day to Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland.

The service will, in many instances, result in correspondence for the countries in question being delivered 24 hours earlier than under existing conditions. The main object of the arrangements is to ensure that, in general, letters and postcards addressed to the countries mentioned shall be despatched to their destinations by surface or air transport, whichever offers the quickest delivery.—British Wireless.

### BEATTY'S FUNERAL

London, Mar. 11. The late Admiral Earl Beatty is to be buried in St. Paul's Cathedral on Monday.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

## WALLACE DENIES CLASH WITH CHESTER DAVIS

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Washington, March 11. The Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. Henry C. Wallace, today denied reports of alleged friction and lack of confidence between himself and Mr. Chester Davis, which arose on the occasion of Mr. Davis' prospective trip to Europe.

"Such implications," said Mr. Wallace, "are utterly unfounded and are a grave injustice to Mr. Davis."

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## CLAIMS AGAINST BANK

DEPOSITOR TELLS STRANGE STORY

## SWITCHING OF ACCOUNTS

The National City Bank of New York, together with one of its employees, Lai Sin-chow, were sued for the return of \$1,000, alleged to have been deposited with them by Fung Kul-ho, before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, Acting Prince Judge, in the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. A. McCallum was for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. T. Prior appeared for the defendant bank. The second defendant was not in Court, nor was he legally represented.

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